Reasons for considering this is the original Minute Book.

1. Writing.

2. Sequence of books. This series leads onto the minutes taken by Newman.

3. Change of writing with the change of Secretaries.

4. Errors, absent in the other series, indicate that the other books copied from these.

No I

1698

Whereas the growth of vice and Immorality is greatly owing to Gross Ignorance of the Principles of Christian Religion; We whose Names are underwritten do agree to meet together as often as we can conveniently, to consult (under the conduct of the divine Providence and Assistance) how we may be able by due and Lawfull Methods to promote Christian Knowledge

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W. Lloyd.

Row. Cotton.

The standing orders of this Society

Resolved That no person be admitted into this Society but with these following Precautions.

Resolv'd That whoever shall be recommended to be one of this Soci be twice proposed to the Society and if they think fit to proc concerning him that Two or more of the Society be directed t make particular Enquiry after him and upon their report the Society to Choose or refuse him.

Resolv'd That the proceedings of this Society concerning any person to b Elected be concluded by the Majority of voices, provided there be alwaies five at least voise of the Society present.

3 Resolv'd That the Principal Qualifications to be Enquired of Concerning any person to be admitted a Member of this Society be whether he be a person of Noted Humility Condescention & Charity.

Resolv'd. That it be the Chairmans part to preserve Order, and to Cause that no one interrupt Another in speaking and that it be every Membe care to prevent Heates, and to allay such as may arise.

5 Resolv'd That it be recommended to every Member of this Society to pray frequently to God to give a Blessing to the Consultations and Endeavours of this Society.

Resolv'd That no Business be begun till the Devotions agreed on by the Society be performed.

Resolv'd That it be recommended to the Members of this Society not t discourse of their Affaires, but with Discretion, with a pro-spect of doing good thereby.

8 Resolv'd That no person be admitted a Member of this Society, Except Subscribe to the Annual Payment for promoting Christian Kn

at Home, and also for promoting Parochial Libraries in Am
:rica for the same purpose, (the last of which Subscriptions is to be paid upon Admission) Except the Corresponding Memb
who may attend the meeting of the Society without being oblig
to make such Subscriptions, in Regard of the Charge they are
be at in promoting the same Designs, in their respective Cou
tys.

9 Resolv'd, That all new Motions ~~may~~ be made at the second Reading of th
Minutes; after those of the first week, and before those of the last.

10. Resolv'd, That this Society will always decline the Intermedling with all Ma
ters which are foreign to their Religious designs.

11. Resolved, That for the better Dispatch of the Affairs of this Society, one of t
Resident Members be Nominated for Chairman at the Beginning of every
Month; who is to oblige himself to Attend every Meeting at the usual Hou
and in Case of any Just Impediment, to appoint his Deputy for that tim
out of the Resident Members.

12. Resolved that each new Member at his Admission do subscribe towards the Paymen
of the Debt due to Dr Bray, till the said debt be entirely sunk & paid off.

13. Resolv'd that ~~it be a standing Order~~ no sum exceeding fourty shillings be dispos'd of in the Absence of the Treasurer.

14. That no Member do withdraw himself from this Society, without a Previous Notice of 3 Months.

We whose names are underwritten do look upon the fixing Parochial Libraries throughout the Plantations (especially on the Continent of North America, where the provision for the Clergy we underſtand is but Mean) as a Design which will very much tend to propagate Chriſtian Knowledge in the Indies, being it will in all likelyhood be a means always to invite the more Studious and vertuous persons out of the Universitys, and elsewhere, to undertake the Miniſtry in those parts; and will be also a neceſsary means of rendring them usefull, in all the parts of their ffunction, by Doctrine, by Reproofs, by Correction, by Inſtruction in Righteousneſs, when they are there.

And therefore as we our ſelves do Subscribe & contribute cheerfully towards the further advance of these Parochial Libraries, so we ſhall make it our Endeavour to obtain Benefactions from our ffriends and Acquaintance respectively, towards the ſame Chriſtian Purposes.

I Francis Lᵈ Guilford, do ſubscribe for my ſelf and ffriends, the summe of one hundred pounds.

I Sʳ Edmund Turner do ſubscribe for myself fifteen pounds.
I Gideon Harvey do ſubscribe for my ſelf five pounds.
I Tho: Bromfeild do ſubscribe five pounds.
I W. Melmoth do ſubscribe for my ſelf three Guineas.
I John Comyns do ſubscribe five pounds.
I Robert Nelson do ſubscribe for my ſelf and ffriends Twenty pounds
I John Chamberlayne ſubscribe for my ſelf & Friends the sum of Ten Pounds.
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I John Mapletoft do ſubſcribe Five Pounds

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I S^r. J. Philips do ſubſcribe ffive Guineas

I W^m. Farrer do ſubſcribe for my ſelf two Guineas

I Meeken do ſubſcribe for a Freind ffour Pounds

I Jno. Hodges do ſubſcribe for my ſelf & Freind Twelve pou

I Henry Shute do ſubſcribe for my ſelf thirty ſix pound and five ſhillings

I Jo. Davies do ſubſcribe for my ſelf Ten pounds

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I Geo. Wheler Haveing lately ſubſcribed & paid to th Rev^d. Dr Bray upward of three pounds do now fur ſubſcribe two pounds

I Saml. Brewster do Subscribe for myself ten pounds
and for D^{r} . Brewster of Hereford two pounds
I Rich^{d}. Willis do Subscribe for my self Five Pounds.
I Maynard Colchester do Subscribe Eight Pounds.
I Sr Humphry Mackworth do Subscribe Five Guineas.
I White Kennet do Subscribe the Sum of one Guinea
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I John Reynalds do Subscribe for my Self Five Guineas.
I William Hustler do Subscribe for myself Five Guineas
I Thomas Manningham do Subscribe Five Pounds
I Rowland Cotton do subscribe Fifteen Pounds.
I ~~Wm Worcester~~ Dan: Nicoll do subscribe. four Guineas.
I John Frymmer do subscribe five pounds.
I ~~W^{r}~~ James Vernon do subscribe. five pounds.
I N. Bishop of Chester subscribe. five pounds.
I Grey Neville four pounds
S^{r} I Richard Blackmore subscribe for my self five Guineas.

Hy: Mar 15 Aug. 1706

The Annual Subscriptions
Of all Persons
That are Admitted Members
Of the Honourable Society.

We whose names are underwritten, do Subscribe to pay Annually by Quarterly payments the several sums to our several Names annexed for promoting Chriſtian Knowledge as by Erecting Catechetical Schools, by Raising Lending Catechetical Librarys in the several Market Towns of this Kingdom. By distributing good Books or otherwise as the Society shall direct. The firſt payment to be made at the Ensuing Quarter-day.
~~at Ladyday next~~

I Francis Lord Guilford do Subscribe Twenty Pounds.

I John Bp. of Chichester Subscribe Ten Pounds.

I Sr. J. Philipps do subscribe Ten Pounds.

I Sr. Edmund Turner do subscribe Ten Pounds

I R. Nelson do Subscribe Ten Pounds.

I Ric. King do Subscribe six pounds.

I John Evans do Subscribe ffive pounds.

I Jo. Davies subscribe ffour Pounds till I get a school erected in the Country where I shall contribute this Sum

I John Hooke do Subscribe ffive pounds

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I Fred: Hare do subscribe Four pounds.

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I George Wrighte do subscribe ten pounds.
I William Hodges do subscribe, for my self two pounds.
I Philip Stubs do subscribe for my self two pounds.
I-Ralph Gerard subscribe two pounds.
I Edward Waddington do subscribe for my self 4. Guineas.
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Collects to be used by the Honourable Society Before they Enter upon Business.

O Lord raise up (we pray thee) thy power, & come among us and with great might Succour us, that whereas through our Sins & wickedness, we are sore let and hindred in running ye race which is set before us, thy Bountifull grace & mercy may speedily help and deliver us, through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord. to whom with thee & the Holy Ghost be honour and glory world without end. Amen

O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without Charity are nothing worth; send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of Charity, the very bond of peac and of all vertues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee Grant this for thine only son Jesus Christs sake Amen

O Lord we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse & defend thy Church; and becauase it can not continue in Safely without thy Succour, preserve it ever more by thy hel and goodness, through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

O Mercifull God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothin that thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner but that he should be converted, & live; have mercy upo all Jews, Turks, Infidels, & Hereticks, and take from them all Ignorance, hardness of heart and contempt of thy word

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and so fetch them home. Bleſsed Lord to thy flock, that they may be saved among ye Remnant of the true Israelites, an be made one fold under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord who liveth and reigneth with thee & the Holy Spirit, one God world without end. Amen

O Lord, from whom all good things do come Grant to us thy humble Servants yt by thy Holy inspiration we may think those things yt be good, and by thy mercifull guiding may perform ye same, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

Prevent us O Lord in all our doings with thy most gratiou favour, & further us with thy continual help, direct, and prosper all our consultations and endeavours to the advancement of thy Glory, the good of thy Church, & the propagation of Christian Knowledge in ye world yt peace, & happiness truth, and justice, Religion, and piety may be established among us for all Generations, and that in all our works bu continued, & ended in thee we may Glorifie thy holy name, & finally by thy mercy may obtein everlaſting life through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose bleſsed name & words we conclude these our prayers —— Our father wch art in Heaven hallowed be thy name, thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespaſses. As we forgive them yt trespaſs against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil for thine is the Kingdom. And the powe And the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

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Our ffather wch art in Heaven. Hallowed be thy Name, thy Kingdom come. thy will be done in Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily and forgive us our Trespasses as we forgive them y trespass agst us. And lead us not into Temptation but deliver us from Evil. ffor thine is ye Kingdom, the Power and ye Glory for ever & ever. Amen

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The Journall of the Honble. Society For promoting Christian Knowledge

Wednesday. 8. March 169$\frac{8}{9}$

Present Right Honourable Lord Guilford, Sir Humphrey Mackworth, M^{r}. Justice Hooke, Doctor Bray & Collonell Colchester

Resolvd That Collonell Colchester and Doctor Bray go and discourse George Keith, in order to be satisffied what progreſs he has hitherto mad towards the instruction and conversion of Quakers, and to know what he designs further to attempt, under the conduct of Gods providence and Aſsistance, in order to redeem that miſguided people to the Knowledge and beleife of Christ, and that they report the same to the Society tomorr morning.

Resolvd That we consider tomorow morning how to further and Promote that Good Design, of Erecting Catecheticall Schools in each Parish in and about London, and that Collonell Colchester, and Doctor Bray give their thoughts how it may be done.

Resolvd That the Right Honourable The Lord Guilford be desired to speake to the Arch-Bishop, that care may be taken, that a clause be provided, in the Bill for Imploying the poor; to have the Children Taught to Read, and be instructed in the Church Catechism.

(4.) Resolv'd That Doctor Bray be desir'd as soon as conveniently he can, to lay before this Society his Scheme of Promoting Religion in the Plantations an his Accounts of Benefactions and disburſments towards the Same.

Friday. 10 March 99

Present Lord Guilford, Sir Humphrey Mackworth Mr Justi Hooke Doctor Bray, And Collonell Colchester.

(1.) Doctor Bray & Collonell Colchester Reported that they had discours'd George Keith, and were pleas'd with the Account of hi Managment of his Design hitherto, and their Report being considered,

(2.) Resolv'd That this Society will endeavour to procure for master Keith some Certificate or Recomendation which may protect him in his Travells and procure him some Encouragement ~~of~~ from the Justices of the Peac

(3.) Resolv'd That this Society will endeavour to disperse Mr Keith's narrati and Catechism up and downe the Kingdome among the Quakers for their better conviction and Instruction.

(4.) Resolv'd That Doctor Bray do lay before this Society an estimate of the printing Mr Keith's Narrative and Catechism.

(5.) Resolv'd That this Society will subscribe a Stock for Insurance of the Charge of setting up Schools, for promoting Christian Knowledge, and that Mr Justice Hook do draw up an Instrument of Insurance, and a form of Subscription for the Contributors in their respective Parishes

Sunday. 12 March 169$\frac{8}{9}$

Present Lord Guilford, Sir Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Justice Hook, Doctor Bray & Collonell Colchester

The Lord Guilford reports that he had spoken with the Lord Arch-Bishop of Canterbury, in Pursuance of the desire of this Society, and that his Grace was pleas'd with the Motion, and had promis'd to speake to the Chairman of the Comittee to whom the consideration of Methods for Imploying the Poor is comitted, that care may be taken that provision be made to teach the Poor to Read in their workhouses, and also to instruct them in the Church Catechism.

Resolvd That Collonell Colchester be desird to find out three persons to begin an Endeavour, of setting up Schools in three Parishes.

Thursday. 16 March 1698

Present The Right Honourable, Lord Guilford, Sir Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Justice Hooke, Doctor Bray, & Collonell Colchester

Agreed. Mr Justice Hooke shall be our Treasurer.

Agreed. We deposit five Shillings a peice towards paying for our Books, and other expences.

Resolvd That the next meeting we give directions what shall be entred in our Books.

Resolvd y^{t} Doctor Bray bring att our next meeting a copy of such orders for the Schools as he shall think will be proper.

The form of Subscriptions to Schools, and the Instrument of Insurance, which relates thereto, and wch is to be Subscribed by every Member of the Society, was read and approved of.

vid. a M.S. book entituled a Collection of Proposals, Letters and other Papers relating to the Honble Society for Propagating Christian Knowledge Numb. 3. p.

Sunday. 19 March 1698/9

Present The Right Honourable Lord Guilford, Sir Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Justice Hook, Doctor Bra And Collonell Colchester.

The Preamble postpon'd.

Mr Justice Hook reported that three persons had been with him who are willing to undertake the care of taking Subscriptions to set u schools, and seem well qualified for such an undertaking.

Orderd That the forms of subscription for the Society be entred in the Book of Standing Orders, and that the ~~[illegible]~~ form of Subscription to Schools and the Or be deliverd to the undertakers. | The orders of the Schools were agreed t and to be entred in the Journall. NB. they are now printed.

Resolvd That this Society will consider of Methods to induce the Paren of the Scholars to attend the Catecheticall Lectures. [redacted].

Monday 20 March 98/9

Present The Right Honourable The Lord Guilford, Sir Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Justice Hook, Doctor Bray and Collonell Colchester.

The preamble agen postpon'd.

Doctor Bray reports that Mr Keith's larger Catechism will cost twelve pou a thousand the paper computed at eight Shillings per Rheme, The lesser Catechism pounds a Thousand, & [illegible] pounds a Thousand.

Resolvd That Doctor Bray do procure one of each of the said Bookes in order t

take a Resolution concerning them.

Resolvd That this Society will furnish Twelve pounds towards the printing the said Bookes according to the Discretion of the said Mr. Keith.

The Lord Guilford was pleased to contribute five pounds Sir Humphrey Mackworth four pounds, Collonell Colchester and Mr. Justice Hook the rest.

Wednesday. 5. April 99

Present The Right Honourable Lord Guilford Sir Humphrey Mackworth Mr. Justice Hook and Doctor Bray.

Resolvd That Sr John Philipps and Mr. Yates be desird to be Members of this Society, as also Mr. Martyn.

Mr. Chamberlayne and Mr. Bromfeild proposd to be elected Members of this Society.

Saturday. 15 April 99

rd That Lord Guilford and Doctor Bray be desired to enquire of [illegible] Mr. Bramfeild and Mr. Chamberlayne

Wednesday. 19 April 99

Lord Guilford, Sir Humphrey Mackworth Doctor Bray an
Mr. Justice Hook.

Agreed That Mr. Chamberlayne be admitted into the Society

The Preamble read and approved of.

Orderd that every Member of the Society do subscribe [illegible]

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N.B. No Minutes for Thursday 27 April.

Thursday. 4. May. 99

The Right Honourable the Lord Guilford, Doctor Bray, Mr Chamberlayne and Mr Justice Hook.

1) Agreed That at the next Meeting we take into consideration Doct Bray's Scheme.

(2) Justice Railton propos'd to be of this Society.

Saturday. 6. May 99

Present The Right Honourable The Lord Guilford, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Dr Bray, Mr Chamberlayn and Mr Justice Hook.

1) Mr Railton a Second Time proposed to be of the Society.
Order'd That Dr Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do enquire about him.

(2) Sr Edmund Turner propos'd the first time to be of the Society.

3) Agreed That the two Germans that Professor Frank of Hall in Germany lately sent over to set up Catechetical Schools here, be desir'd to be at the next Meeting.

Tuesday. 9. May 99

Present The Right Honourable The Lord Guilford, Doctor Bray, Mr Chamberlayne, and Mr Justice Hooke.

1) Mr Railton approv'd to be of this Society.
Order'd That Doctor Bray & Mr Chamberlayne desire him to attend.

3) Sr Edmund Turner propos'd a Second time.
Order'd That Doctor Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do Enquire about him.

Mr Brewster of Lincolns Inn propos'd the first time.

Mr Comyns of Lincolns Inn propos'd the first time.

Mr Woodward Minister of Poplar propos'd the First time:

Mr Shute Lecturer of White Chappel propos'd the First time.

Resolv'd That we Meet every Thursday at six of ye clock in ye Evening

Thursday, 11 May 99

Present Lord Guilford, Sir Humphrey Mackworth Doctor Br
Mr Chamberlayne, and Mr Justice Hook.

Sr Edmund Turner approv'd of.

Order'd That Doctor Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do desire him to attend.

Mr Brewster Propos'd a Second time..

Order'd That Doctor Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do enquire concerning him.

Mr Comyns propos'd a Second time.

Order'd That Sir Humphrey Mackworth & Mr Justice Hook do enquir
concerning him:

Mr Woodward Propos'd a Second time.

Order'd That Doctor Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do enquire concerning him.

Mr Shute propos'd a Second time.

Order'd That Doctor Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do enquire concerning him.

The two Germans attended, and Mr Chamberlayne was desir'd to discours
them

Order'd That they do attend agen.

3) Mr Melmouth, Doctor Hare, Mr Seymour, and Doctor Harvey proposd to be Members of this Society.

Thursday. 18. May. 99

Present Sr Edmund Turner, Coll. Colchester, Dr Bray, Mr Chamberlayne, and Mr Justice Hook.

1 Mr Bridges [illegible] Mr Michell two of the Agents for Schools report that the School in Wapping has no provision save to pay the Master, and that the Subscriptions amount not to pay for Bookes.

2 Orderd That Mr Keith take with him (in his Progress into the Country to Convert the Quakers) eighty greater Catechisms one hundr thirty Lesser: twenty four Narratives, and fifty of Pen's Deisms.

3 Orderd That the Treasurer pay Mr Keith Ten Pounds twelve Shillings and six pence for his Bookes.

4 Orderd That he pay also ten Shillings to Mr Bridges for the School at Wapping.

5 Mr Bridges and Mr Michel Report that the Minister and a Society and others in the Parish of St George Southwark have subscribd ab sixteen pounds ꝑ Annum towards a School in that Parish, and that the Officers of that Parish promise their Assistance.

Mr Brewster approvd of.

7 Orderd That Dr Bray and Mr Justice Hook do desire him to attend.

Mr Comyns approvd of.

Orderd That Coll Colchester and Mr Justice Hook do desire him to attend.

Mr Woodward approv'd of.

Orderd That Dr Bray and Coll. Colchester do desire him to attend.

Thursday. 25 May 99

Lord Guilford. Sr Edmund Turner, Coll Colchester, Dr Bray,
Mr Comyns, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Justice Hook, & Mr Bromfeild.

Mr Melmouth, Dr Hare, Mr Seymor, and Dr Harvey propos'd a Secon
time.

Orderd That Mr Bromfeild and Mr Chamberlayne do enquire concerning
each of them.

Mr Bridges and Mr Michel Report that the Officers of St Andrews
Parish will joyn with the Subscribers in settingup a School. And that
Ld Halifax's Steward promist to procure an Empty house for the sa
purpose.

Mr Shute approv'd of.

Orderd That Dr Bray and Mr Chamberlayne do desire Him to attend.

Thursday. 1 June 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Dr Bray, Dr Harvey,
Mr Bromfeild and Mr Justice Hook.

Mr Bridges Reports that Dr Maningham promoted the School in St Andr
& had Subscribd forty shillings towards it

2 Mr Michel Reports that Dr Welton Rector of White Chappel will subscribe for that Parish.

3 Dr Lucas Propos'd the first time.

4 Dr Harvey Approv'd of.

5 Mr Melmouth and Dr Slare Approv'd of.

6 Order'd That Mr Bromfeild and Mr Chamberlayne do desire Them to attend.

Saturday. 3 June 99

Present Ld Guilford, Dr Bray, Dr Harvey, Mr Bromfeild, Mr Chamberlayne, and Mr Justice Hook.

1 Order'd That Dr Bray's Account lye upon the Table to be perus'd by the Members of this Society

2 Dr Lucas propos'd a second time.

3 Order'd That Dr Bray and Mr Bromfeild do enquire concerning Him

4 Dr Cox Propos'd the first time

Thursday. 8 June. 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Melmou
Dr Bray, Dr Harvey, Mr Bromfeild, Mr Woodward
Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne and Mr Ju
ice Hooke.

1 Mr Woodward Report that in the Hamblet of Poplar the is a School Begun, that twelve scholars are taught at the charge of the Society, and the other four by Him.

Sr Edmund Turner Reports that Mr Charles Duncomb will give Bookes or money towards the propagating Christian Knowledge in the Plantat

Dr Bray layd before this Society an Account of his Benefactions and Di
bursments by which it appears that he has disburs'd of his own money Six hu
dred thirty one pounds.

Dr Lucas, ~~Dr Blair~~ and Mr Seymor approv'd of.

Order'd That Mr Melmouth & Mr Bromfeild do desire Them to attend.

Dr Daniel Cox propos'd a Second time.

Order'd That Dr Bray & Mr Justice Hook do enquire concerning Him.

Mr Nelson Propos'd the first time.

Thursday. 15 June. 99

Lord Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Dr Bray, Dr Comyns Mr Shute
Mr Melmouth and Mr Justice Hook.

Mr Shute Reports that he has begun a Subscription in white Chappel.

Mr Bridges Reports that the Societies in St Martins will go near to make up the Subscription Themselves.

A Letter read from Mr Woodward That the School in Wapping will be Supported.

George Keith's Letter read relating his Success in his Attempts upon the Quakers.

Resolv'd That the School at St George Southwark be forthwith Sett up and that the Insurance Money be Charg'd with making good any Defeciency that may happen in the Subscriptions

Monday. 19 June 1699.

Sr Edmund Turner, Dr Bray, Mr Melmouth, Mr Shute,

Mr Brewster and Mr Justice Hook.

1 Mr Nelson propos'd a Second time.

2 Orderd That Dr Bray & Mr Melmouth do enquire concerning Him.

3 Dr Cox Approv'd of.

4 Orderd That Dr Bray & Mr Justice Hook do desire Him to attend.

5 Capt Barnardiston propos'd the first time.

Thursday 22 June 99

Present Dr Bray, Mr Melmouth Mr Shute, Mr Bromfeild,

Mr Brewster and Mr Justice Hook.

1 Capt. Barnardiston Propos'd a Second time.

2 Orderd That Mr Melmouth & Mr Shute do enquire concerning Him.

3 Mr Nelson approv'd of.

4 Orderd That Dr Bray & Mr Shute do desire Him to attend.

Tuesday. 27 June. 99

Present Ld Guilford, Dr Bray, Mr Shute and Mr Justice Hook.

1 The Ld Bishop of Glocester Propos'd the first time.

2 Dr Knight propos'd the first time.

Thursday. 29 June 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Nelson, Dr Harvey, Dr B
Mr Comyns, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster & Mr Justice Hook.

Dr Harvey Reports that Dr Lancaster approved of the design of Schoo
in St Martyns. and that he had a prospect of Succeſs in that Parish.

The Ld Bishop of Glocester propos'd a Second time.

Thursday. 6 July. 99

Present Sr Edmund Turner, Dr Bray. Dr Harvey, Mr Shute,
Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bromfeild, Mr Brewster & Mr Justice Hoo

Mr Bridges, Mr Gardiner & Mr Michel report that the Subscription at St. Martyns is begun and like to be Soon full. That the Subscription at St. Andrews amounts to nineteen pounds. And the subscription of White Chappel to twenty one pounds ten shillings.

Orderd That the Treasurer pay twenty Shillings to Mr Chamberlayne f
Mr Mehder the German which was paid accordingly

Thursday. 13 July. 99

Lord Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Nelson, Dr Bray, Mr Shute,
Mr Chamberlayne Mr Melmouth. & Mr Justice Hook.

Mr Skale reports that twenty one pounds is subscrib'd in Cripplegate Pari

Mr Bridges Reports that a School Room is taken in Hungerford M
and that the subscriptions are above thirty five Pounds

Mr Mapletoft Propos'd the first time.

4 Mr Frank Propos'd the first time.

5 Mr Keith Reported his Travells and good Success in convertin
the Quakers. NB. This is since printed.

Thursday. 20 July. 99

Lord Guilford Mr Shute Mr Chamberlayne and
Mr Melmouth.

1 Mr Frank and Dr Mapletoft approv'd of.

2 **Orderd** That Mr Nelson do desire Them to attend.

3 Mr Bridges Reports that the School at St Georges is much obstru

4 **Orderd** That the Agents treat with a School-master immediatly to
set up a School in that Parish.

5 **Resolv'd** That the Society will Ensure him one half yeares pay.

6 Dr Evans propos'd the first time.

Thursday. 27 July. 99

Present Ld Guilford, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Frank,
Dr Harvey and Mr Chamberlayne.

1 Dr Knight Propos'd a Second time.

Thursday. 3 August 99

Present Ld Guilford Mr Nelson Dr Bray Mr Shute, & Mr Chamberlay

Mr Bridges &c reported that Subscriptions in White Chappel
amount to forty pounds Sixteen Shillings, and in Cripplegate to
thirty three pounds.

Resolvd That every absent Member of th[illegible] do bring in the fif
part of his subscription on Thursday the Sev[illegible]th instant, and tha
the present Members pay in their quota immediatly, which was done
accordingly.

Orderd That Mr Chamberlayne do receive the said fifth parts of each
Member's Subscription, and Account for the same to the Society.

Dr Evans Proposd a second Time.

Orderd That Dr Bray and Mr Chamberlayne do enquire concerning Him.

N.B Here are no Minutes for the 10th of August.

Thursday. 17 August 99.

Present Ld Guilford Mr Nelson Dr Mapletoft, Mr Shute, and
Mr Chamberlayne.

Mr Bridges and Mr Shute &c Report that they have deferd setting up
the School in St Georges Southwark, in hopes of an Agreement with [illegible]e
Parish Officers &c.

Mr Nelson Reports that he has procurd Thirty Volums of Sanderso
Sermons for the use of the Libraries projected by Dr Bray in the
Plantations.

Dr Mapletoft paid in the fifth part of his subscription towards the
Insuring of Schools &c

Mr Bridges laid before this Society a Paper intituld Methods for
managements of Free Schools which was read debated & corrected &
orderd by the Society to be forthwith Printed.

Dr Evans approvd of.

Orderd That Dr Bray do desire him to attend.

7 Lord Guilford [illegible] that Mr Bat Rector of Chelmsford ha
made Applicat[illegible]s to his Ldp for Instructions about the
management of a free School.

8 Resolvd That Mr Bridges's Method be sent him as soon as Printe

N.B. Here are no Minutes for Thursday. 24th of August.

Thursday. 31 August 99

Present Ld Guilford, Mr Nelson Dr Mapletoft, & Mr Chamberlayn

1 Resolvd upon [illegible] Account of the absence of most of the Members, tha
this Society be adjournd to the first Thursday after Michalmas day,
unless extraordinary Business intervene.

Thursday. 7 September 99

Present Ld Guilford, Dr Mapletoft, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Nelso
Dr Harvey, and Mr Chamberlayne.

1 Dr Bray being returnd from Holland reported that he had obteind fro
his Maty a Gracious reference to the Lds of the Treasury relating t
a Grant from the King of some Monies to be applyd towards the
promoting Libraries in the Plantations

2 Dr Bray likewise communicated to the Society a Letter lately receivd
from Sr Richard Bulkeley in Ireland importing his Design of Settli
a Rent Charge of Twenty Pounds per annum for ever for promo-
ting Christian Knowledge in America &c

George Keith gave the Society an Account of his Mission into Several parts of England as Bristol &c and of the opposition of the Quakers, and o a Printed Account of his Proceedings.

Friday. 15 September 99

Present Ld Guilford, Dr Bray. Dr Harvey & Mr Chamberlayne.

George Keith gave an Account to the Society of the violent oppositions of the Quakers in Shutting the Doors of their Meetings against him and Desired the Advice of the Society how he Shall behave himself thereupon

Resolvd That George Keith do again Attempt to Preach in a Quakers Meeting, and if he meets opposition, that he pursue his Remedy according to Law.

Thursday. 21 September 99

Present Dr Bray, Dr Evans, Dr Harvey. Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute and Mr Justice Hook. 7

Mr Michel and Shute report that the School is begun at Cripplegate and about forty four pounds subscribd.

Also that the School at St Martyns is set up, and that the subscriptions amou to near sixty Pounds per Anum.

Also that Mr Symms the Schoolmaster at Criplegate has discoverd a Secret b which he can teach twenty or thirty boys the Alphabet in a days time, and has taken forty Poor Boys for nothing.

Also that at White Chappel about forty four Pounds per Annum [illegible] and a Master and Boys ready as soon as a School house can be procur

5. The Honourabe Mr Edward Finch and Mr Henry Finch propos'd the first time.

6. Mr Mecken Chaplain to the Prince of Denmark propos'd the first time.

7. Dr Bray reports that Mr Ibbot a Minister has given one share in Sr Humphrey Mackworth's Mines towards Promoting Libraries in North America

Thursday. 28 September 99

Present Ld Guilford, Dr Bray, Dr Evans, Mr Chamberlayne, and Mr Justice Hook.

1 A letter read from Mr Brewster giving an Account of a Society which He is forming in Oxford.

2. The Honble Mr Edward and Mr Henry Finch propos'd a Second time.

3. Mr Mecken propos'd a Second time.

4. **Orderd** That Dr Bray and Dr Evans do Enquire concerning Them all.

Thursday. 5 October 99

Lord Guilford, Mr Nelson, Dr Bray, Dr Evans, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Justice Hook, and Mr Brewster

1 Mr Nelson reports that he had receiv'd a Letter from the Ld Weymouth which was read, and imported that his Ldship would give two hundred Pounds towards Dr Brays Design of Promoting Christian Knowledge in the Plantations.

2 Mr Shute reports that the School in St George Southwark is Set up [illegible] That Schools are begining in Shadwell, Shoreditch & Stepney

Mr Farrer propos'd the First Time.

A Letter read from Pensilvania giving an Account of the increase of the Church there, by the Conversion of the Quakers.

Dr Bray reports the great & publick Charitys Design'd by Sr Richard Bulkeley in Ireland.

Thursday. 12 October 99

Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, & Mr Justice Hook.

Mr Bridges reports that in St Andrews Parish Dr Maningham has subscrib'd four Pounds and that he expects fifty Pounds to be subscrib'd in a week towards the School.

Mr Brewster paid in twenty shillings being the fifth part of his subscription.

Mr Bridges also reports that the School in St George Southwark consists of forty Boys who were the worst in the Parish, but are much reform'd.

Mr Chamberlayne is ~~desired~~ ordered to desire Mr Chilton the Attorney General of Barbadoes to come to the Society to advise about a Gift of Two thousand Pounds to charitable uses in Barbadoes, which has been Ten years conceal'd.

Sr George Wheeler propos'd ye first Time.

Dr Evans paid in his Fifth part.

Thursday. 19 October 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr John Philipps, Dr Evans, Mr Chamberlayne
Mr Shute, Mr Brewester & Mr Justice Hooke.

Mr Shute reports that one of the Pastoral Letters was sent to Bristol wh a Society for Reformation is set up by the Mayor, Aldermen, Deputy Leivtonants & Principle Inhabitants

2 Mr Chamberlayne Reports that Mr Chilton (not being able to att the Society) desires their directions by Letter about the Charity in Barbadoes.

The Ld Guilford was desir'd to write to him about it.

4 Sr George Wheeler Propos'd a second time.

5 Orderd That Dr Harvey & Mr Chamberlayne do enquire concernin

6. Mr Shute & Mr Bridges report that there is a Gift of Forty pounds Him and a house for a free School after the death of two Persons given dive years since by Dr Davenant, and that the House is now fitting up for a School in White Chappel.

7 Sr John Philipps paid in his Fifth part.

8 Mr Chamberlayne paid in two pounds sixteen shillings to the Treasurer being the Ballance in His Hands.

Thursday. 26 October 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr John Philipps, Dr Evans, Dr Slar Mr Shute, Mr Frank, Mr Brewster. Mr Chamberlayne, & Mr Justice Hook.

Resolv'd That this Society consider of a certain number of Cle men that may form Societys and give an Account once a Month to this Society of the State and Progress of Reformation and of Christian Knowledge in their respective Counties.

Mr Farrer propos'd a second time.

Orderd That Mr Bromfield & Mr Brewster do enquire concerning Hi

Mr. Bridges reports that the Subscriptions in Cripplegate P
rish are not Sufficient for the School, and that one of the School
masters did not attend.

Mr Shute is desir'd to take care thereof.

Also That a Subscription is begun at St Clements which will amount
to Forty Pounds per Anum.

Also That Dr Wake will promote a School for Girls in St James's Parish.

Also That the Parishioners at St Martyns are very thankfull for the
School set up there, the Children being much reform'd.

Also That about Forty Pounds per Anum is Subscrib'd in St Andrews.

Orderd That a School be forthwith sett up in St. Andrews Parish.

Resolvd That the Members of this Society do Speak to the Persons
of their acquaintance in the Several Parishes in which Schools ar
Setting up, and to give an Account of the names of such Persons

Agreed That the Members of this Society will endeavour to inform
themselves of the Practices of the Priests to pervert his Maties Subjects to
Popery.

Tuesday. 31 October 99

Lord Guilford, Sr John Philipps, Dr Bray, Mr Frank, Mr Shu
Mr Chamberlayne & Mr Brewster

Agreed That when any Informations are propos'd to be made to
Society, a Comittee be apointed to receive them.

Sr George Wheeler approv'd of.

Orderd That Dr Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do desire Him to a

Mr Farrar approvd of.

5 Orderd That Mr Frank do desire Him to attend.

6 Resolvd That Mr Chamberlayne be Secretary to the Society

7 Sr Richard Bulkeley of Ireland proposd the first Time.

8 Ld Guilford desird to write an other Letter to Mr Chilton

Thursday. 2 November 99

Present Sr John Philipps, Dr Bray, Mr Melmouth,
Dr Slare, Mr Frank, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster
Mr Shute, Mr Farrar, Mr Nelson, & Mr Justice Hook.

1 Mr Melmouth paid in his Fifth part being twenty Shillings

2 Mr Bridges reports That a Society in Greenwich are going t
set up a School.

3 Also That Dr Wake will subscribe four Pounds per Annum t
the School in St James's.

4 Dr Evans reports that he waited on Dr Haly & Dr Herne who
will assist in setting up Schools by the Vestrys.

5 Also That in St Anns Parish is Subscribd about Fifteen Pounds p

6 Sr Richard Bulkeley proposd a Second Time.

7 Orderd That Dr Bray & Mr Shute do enquire concerning Him.

8 Resolv'd That the Proposalls for promoting Schools be printed a
the Charge of the Society

Resolvd That this Society will establish a Correspondence with one or more of the Clergy in each County, and with one Clergyman in each gre Town & City of England, in order to erect Societies of the same Nature in this throughout the Kingdom

Dr Bray laid before the Society a list of Clergymen in order to choose out of them Correspondents, which being examind & debated, was with some amendments agreed to, & is as follows.

The Names of the Correspondents
For the Several Counties of England

Barkshire		
Bedfordshire	Mr Frank	Cranfeild near Newport Pannell
Buckinghamshire		
Cheshire	Mr Bradshaw	Namptewich
Cornwall	Mr Kendall	Pelyn near Fowey
Cumberland		
Darbyshire	Mr Tatam	Sutton on ye Hill or at Mr Bets in Darby
Devonshire	Mr Boschough	Totness
Dorcestershire		
Durham		
Essex		
Glocestershire	Mr Willet	Stretton near Cirencester
Hantshire	Mr Dobson	Cliddesden near Basingstoke
Hertfordshire	Mr Bragg	Hitchin
Herefordshire	Dr Tylor D	Hereford

Huntingtonshire	Mr Smyth	Kimbolton
Kent	Mr Lewis	Ackryse
Lancashire		
Leicestershire	Mr Fenwick	Hallaton near Harborough
Lincolnshire		
Man Island		
Middlesex		
Monmouthshire	Mr Powell	Llangattock Crickhowell near Abergain
Northamptonshire	Mr King	Northampton
Norfolk	Mr Ibbot	Swaffham
North-East-Riding	Mr Lile	Gisborough
Northumberland	Mr Ellison	Newcastle
Nottinghamshire	Mr Ellis	Gonalston to be left at the Posthous in Nottingham
Oxfordshire		
Rutlandshire		
Shropshire		
Somerset-shire	Mr Colmer	Babcary to be left at the Posthous in Somerton
Staffordshire		
Suffolk	Mr Raymond	Ipswich
Surrey	Dr [illegible]	
Sussex	Dr Nichols	Selsey
Warwickshire	Mr Welshman	Lapworth
Westmorland		
West Riding		
Isle of Weight	Mr Scot	Northwood
Wiltshire	Mr Yeates	Marlborough
Worcestershire	Dr Hopkins	Worcester
Yorkshire		

The Names off Correspondents For the Several Counties In Wales

Anglesea	Dr Jones D.	Beaumaris
Brecknockshire		
Carmarthenshire	Mr Meyrick	Carmarthen
Carnarvonshire	Mr Wynne	Carnarvon
Cardiganshire		
Denbighshire	Dr Wynn Ch.	Gresford
Flintshire	Mr Price	Wrexham
Glamorganshire	Mr Williams A	Swansea
Merionethshire	Mr Humphreys	Llanenddwyn
Montgomeryshire	Mr Edwards	at Llangendwyn by Oswestry Bag
Pembrokeshire	Mr Bowen	Pembrook
Radnorshire		

Tuesday [illegible] November [illegible]

[illegible]

Thursday. 9 November 1699

Present Sr John Philipps, Sr Edmund Turner Mr Nelson,
Mr Comyns, Mr Farrar, Mr Mecken, Dr Bray, Dr Harvey,
Mr Justice Hook Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Brews
Mr Bromfield Dr Evans Dr Harr & Mr Melmouth

Ordered That Mr Brewster do prepare a Draft of a Declaration of Tru
of Mr Ibbots Charity who has given one of the shares in the Mine-Adven-
ture to Dr Bray for the propagating Christian Knowledge in the Plantati

Resolvd That it is the opinion of this Society that the Sum of Four hund
seventy Nine pounds eighteen shillings & four pence
~~and~~ ~~Pounds~~ expended by Dr Bray has been by him advanced
towards the Propagation of Christian Knowledge in the Plantations
upon the Credit of Publick Benefactions.

Resolvd That the Interest of the said ~~40~~ £479.18.04 ~~Four hundred and 79~~
~~Pounds~~ after the rate of five per Cent do comence from Michas last pa
and be paid to Dr Bray or his Assigns untill the whole sum be reimb
bursed. out of the first contributions as shall be vested in the Soci
for the purposes before mentioned.

Dr Bray reported That Mr Edward Stephens had given the Benefit of
Decree in Chancery for eighty Pounds towards the propagating Chris
Knowledge in the Plantations.

Orderd That Mr Brewster do lay before Mr Hook the Minutes of the sa
decree in order to the recovery of the same Benefaction.

Resolvd That Mr George Brewster be desird by his Brother to Solicit
Dr Bray's Grant from the Treasury.

Orderd That Mr Shute be desired to discourse Mr Aylmer the Book
about George Keith's Catechisms

Mr Hodges proposed the first time.

Thursday. 16 November 99

Present Sr John Philipps Dr Evans, Dr Bray, Dr Nichol

Mr Shute, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Cemyns, Mr Chamberlayn

and Mr Melmouth.

1 Sr Richard Bulkeley propos'd a third time & Approved of.

2 Orderd That Dr Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do desire Him to attend.

3 Mr Hodges Proposed a Second Time.

4 Orderd That Dr Bray & Mr Justice Hook do enquire concerning Hi

5 Upon the reading of a Letter from ~~Arch~~ Deacon Booth relating to the Earl of Warrington.

6 Orderd That Mr Justice Hook do wait upon his Lordship and acquaint Him with the Nature & Constitution of this Society.

7 Mr Frank's Letter read and approved of.

8 Orderd That Mr Chamberlayne do inform himself of a proper Person to be a Clerk to the Society.

9 Orderd That all the Members of this Society that have not paid in the fifth of their Subscriptions to Schools be called upon to do the Same.

Thursday. 23 November 99

Present Sr Edmund Turner, Sr John Philipps, Dr Bray, Mr Meek

Mr Nelson, Mr Shute Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, & Dr Evan

Mr Hodges Proposed a Third Time & Approved of.

Orderd That Mr Chamberlayne do desire Him to attend.

the first Circular letter to the [illegible] Correspondents

Order'd That Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, & Mr Chamberlayne do inspec Dr Brays Accounts & report the State thereof to the Society the next Meeting

Order'd That Mr Justice Hook inspect this whole Journal, & report what he finds imperfect in it.

Resolv'd That this Society will take off six hundred Books entit led a Discourse upon the Baptismal Covenant by Dr Bray at twel pence per Book bound in Sheeps Leather.

Resolv'd That the said Books be disposed of at eighteen Pence per Book according to the printed Proposals thereunto relating, and the the clear profit thereof be applied towards the Founding Lending Libraries, where the Society shall think fit.

Resolv'd That all the Members do pay in a Second fifth of their Subscriptions to Schools, and that the six hundred Books be paid fo out of the said Second Fifths.

Order'd That Sr John Philipps, Mr Justice Hook, & Mr Shute be desired to attend the Bishop of Glocester in Relation to Mr Moor's Charity.

Resolv'd That the Ld Guilford be desired to be a Trustee in the Deed of Trust relating to Mr Ibbot's Gift.

Order'd That Mr Justice Hook be desired to draw up the Same.

the Collection of Papers &c. Numb.

Tuesday 28 November 99

Present Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster
and Mr Justice Hook.

1 Dr Davies Proposed the first Time.

2 Mr Joseph Neale Proposed the first Time.

Wednesday. 29 November 99

Present Dr Nichols, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster and
Mr Justice Hook.

1 Dr Davies & Mr Neale proposed a Second Time.

2 Orderd That Dr Nichols & Mr Shute do enquire concerning Them.

Thursday. 30 November 99

Present Dr Davies, Dr Bray Sr Edmund Turner,
Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Dr Harvey, Mr Brewste
Mr Neal, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shu
Mr Mecken, Dr Nichols, & Mr Farrars.

1 Dr Davies and Mr Neal approved of.

2 Orderd That Dr Bray do desire Them to attend.

3 Orderd That Mr Chamberlayne agree upon Terms with a Clerk, and report the same at Next meeting

Resolvd That Dr Bray may Advance the sum of Twenty Pound upon the Credit of this Society towards the Founding Parochial Libraries in Leward Islands.

Resolvd That it be an Instruction to the Agents for raising Free Schools that they require the Parents of such Children as they admitt to School to be present when their Children are publickly Catechised.

Resolvd That Dr Bray be desired to represent to the Bishop of London that Several Charitable Persons have set up Catechetical Schools for the Education of Poor Children & that his Ldp. be pleased to direct the Parochial Ministers frequently to Catechise them &c.

Mr Bridges & Mr Skeat report that the following Schools are perfected & set up viz: the School in Wapping, in White Chappel, at Poplar, St Martins, Cripplegate, Shadwell, Shoreditch, St Margarets Westm and the Newchappel near Tuttle Feilds Algate, Bishopsgate, St Georg Southwark, & that the two Schools at Westmr & those at Algate & Wapping wer erected before the Foundation of this Society.

Orderd That Mr Bridges do give into the Society at next Meeting a list of such Persons of quality in the Several Parishes where Schools are erected as are fit to be apply'd to for Promoting the same.

Thursday: 7 December 99

Present Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Dr Davies, Dr Bray,
Sr Edmund Turner Dr Harvey, Mr Hodges, Mr Justice Ho
Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Nichols, Mr Shute, & Mr Comyns

1 Resolv'd That Dr Evans be desired to write to Mr Rich^{d}: Gunni Wales to acquaint him that the Society will entertain him as thei Clerk

2 Dr Daniel Cox approved of.

3 Orderd. That Mr Justice Hook do desire Him to attend

4 Dr Bray Reports that the Bishop of London has orderd him to giv Him a List of all the Catechetical Schools Lately erected & y^{t} He promis to give ye Ministers & Schoolmasters his Directions concerning them

5 Orderd That Dr Evans do desire Sr George Wheeler to attend.

6 Mr Justice Hook reports that he has attended the Earl of Warrington, and that his L^{d}ship desired to speak with some of the Society.

7 Orderd That Dr Bray Mr Justice Hook & Mr Chamberlayne do attend his L^{d}ship tomorrow morning at Ten

8 Orderd That the two Fifths already paid in by Some of the Mem bers and to be paid by others be extended to the Founding Catechetical Lending Libraries, the giving away of good Books to poor Families, and to any other means of Promoting Christian Knowl as well as for the erecting of Schools.

9 Orderd That the remaining three Fifths shall not be paid in lieu thereof every Member of the Society shall subscribe a certain Annual sum payable Quarterly and the first quarter to
[illegible]

Orderd That it be recomended to such of the Clergy as are

of this Society to draw up some proper Form of Devotion for the

the Society.

Resolv'd That the orders of this Society be read at Least once a Quarter and to begin at Christmas.

Orderd That no Corresponding Member upon his coming to this Society shall be required to subscribe in the Books of the Society, but that the Matter be wholly left to his Discretion.

Dr Haly & Dr Willis proposed the first Time.

Mr King of Exeter proposed the first Time.

Tuesday. 12 December 99

Dr Harvey, Mr Mecken, Mr Shute, Mr Hodges, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Brewster, Dr Bray & Sr John Philipps.

Dr Haly, Dr Willis, & Mr King, Proposed a second Time.

Orderd. That Mr Shute & Mr Hodges do enquire concerning Them

Ld Warrington proposed the first time.

Wednesday. 13 December 99

Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster and Mr Justice Hook.

The Ld Warrington proposed a Second Time.

Orderd That Dr Bray & Mr Justice Hook do enquire concerning

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Thursday. 14 December 99

Sr Edmund Turner, Sr John Phillpps. Dr Bray, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Dr Harvey, Mr Brewe

Dr Davies, Dr Evans & Mr King.

1 Dr Haly, Dr Willis & Mr King proposed a third time & approved of

2 Orderd That Dr Evans & Mr Shute do desire them to attend.

3 Resolvd That the Society will send to their Correspondents the little Book entituled A help to National Reformation, The Pastoral Letter & the Methods for Managment of Free Schools.

4 Mr Shute & Dr Davies Report that Mr Moors Charity is already disposed of

5 Resolvd That this Society will frequently peruse and consider the Advices offerd to this Society in the Book this day deliverd to them by Dr Bray

Thursday. 21 December 99

Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Dr Harvey, Mr King.

Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Hodges & Mr Justice Hoo

1 Orderd That Mr Hodges do lay before the Society a Letter from the Arch Deacon of Durham relating to the Practices of the Popish Priests.

2 Ld Guilford agreed to accept of the Trust of Mr Ibbot's Sha of Forty Pounds per Annum in the Mine Adventure for the us of Dr Bray.

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3 Orderd That Mr Brewster desire Mr Symms the Schoolmaster i
Algate to attend Thursday fortnight

4 Resolvd That the Thanks of this Society be given to Sr John Philip
for the Noble & Christian Example he has Shewn in refusing a -
Challenge after the highest Provocation Imaginable, & that the
Ld Guilford be pleased to acquaint Him therewith..

N. B. Here are no Minutes for Thursday. 28th December.

Thursday: 4. January 99

Ld Guilford. Sr John Philipps. Sr Humphrey Mackworth.
Sr Edmund Turner, Mr. Nelson. Mr King Mr Brewster,
Mr Shute and Mr Justice Hook.

A letter read from Mr. Arch Deacon Williams from Swansey. acce
ting of the Correspondence with this Society.

Mr Bridges &c. Report that a School is perfected at St Anns for Forty
Boys and that the Subscription there clothed them.

Also another School at St Katherines near the Tower.

Also that the School in St Andrews is perfected and that Ten Pound
per Anūm is Subscribd to a second School there.

Mr Symms attended & gave some account of his Design relating to
his new Invention for teaching poor Children.

The Ld. Bishop of Chichester proposed the ~~in~~ first Time.

Resolved That this Society will perfect their Correspondences a
the next Meeting

Friday. 5 January 99

Sr Humphrey Markworth, Mr Shute, Mr King

Mr Brewster. & Mr Justice Hook

1 Ld Bishop of Chichester proposed a Second time.

2 Orderd That Mr Shute & Mr Brewster do enquire concerning Hi

Thursday. 11 January 99

Ld Guilford Sr Edmund Turner, Dean of Chichester Mr

Mr Shute. Mr King, Dr Evans Mr Melmouth, Mr Brewster and

Mr Justice Hook.

1 The Ld Bishop of Chichester approved of & accordingly attended.

2 Orderd That the Dean of Chichester be desired to apply to The Bishop of London for ~~their~~ the easy Licencing the Masters of the Charity Schools

3 Letters read from Mr Tatam, Mr Ellis. Dean of Bangor and Mr Wynn accepting the Correspondence.

Thursday. 18 January 99

Present Sr George Wheeler, Dr Evans, Mr Mecken, Mr Shute, Mr King. Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne. Mr Bromfield, Dr Ha Dr Slare. Mr Justice Hook, & Mr Melmouth.

A Letter read from Mr Lisle of Gisborough in Yorkshire signifying his acceptance of a Correspondence with this Society.

Mr Gardner Reports that there is Ten Pounds more Subscribed to St Andrews Holborn.

Mr Shute Reports that the School in Whitechappel is opened, and that it consists of Fifty Boys.

Resolv'd That the Ld Guilford be desired to apply to the Ld Chief Justice Holt to contribute towards Dr Brays design of propagating Christian Knowledge in the West-Indies

Resolv'd That the Members of the Society be desired to think upon some Instructions to be communicated to the Corresponding Members

Thursday: 25 January 99

Present. Sr Edmund Turner, Sr George Wheeler, Dr Evans, Mr Ne
Dr Hayly Mr Comyns, Mr King, Mr Brewster, Mr Shute, Mr Hodg
Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Justice Hook, Ld Guilford, & Mr Melmouth

Mr Bridges Reports that above Sixty Pounds per Anum is Subscrib in St Andrews.

Mr Nelson Reports that Seventeen Pounds per Annum is Subscribed at Lusam and thirty Girls already taught in that School

Sr George Wheeler reports that he has begun a Free School in Spittle Feilds for Poor Girls, and for their encouragement has given them a House.

A Letter read from Mr Colmer of Babcary accepting the corresponden with the Society

Another from Mr Burscough of Totness to the same effect

The Dean of Chichester reports that he has applyd to the Bishop of London for the more easy Licencing of Charity Schoo and that his Lordship answer'd it was very fit & reasonable and that he would take care in it.

7 The Dean reports likewise that the Bishop of London recom mended to this Society to consider of some means for the better Instructing & regulating the manners of the Poor Prisone in the several Prisons of this City

8 The Society being informed that there are several Religious Societies that want and desire advice.

9 Resolv'd That this Society will be reddy to Advice & Assist them in any Dificulties. and that Mr Bridges their Agent for Schools be desired to impart this Resolution to them.

10 Resolv'd That the compleating of the Correspondences sha be the first business of the next Meeting

* NB The Prayers agreed on by the Society were this day begun &c.

* vid. the Collection of Papers &c. Numb.

Thursday. 1st February 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr John Philipps, the Dean of Chichest
Sr George Weeler, Mr Shute, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Comyns,
Mr King, Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Slare, Sr Hum-
phrey Mackworth, Mr Bramfeild, Sr Edmund Turner

A Letter read From Dr Tyler Dean of Hereford accepting the Correspondence with the Society

Another from Dr Hopkyns of Worcester to the same purpose

Another from Mr Ellison of Newcastle to the same Purpose.

Resolv'd That Dr Bray's Sermons of Apostolick Charity & the Accou of the Propagating Christian Knowledge in the Plantations & Several other little Pieces Relating to Schools &c be sent one to each of the Corresponding Members.

The Dean of Chichester proposed Several Heads for the drawing up a Second Letter to the Correspondents, which were Debated, and Agreed to by the Society, and a Draught to be made against the next Meeting.

Resolv'd That Mr Justice Hook be desired to draw up an Account of the Nature of this Society, and wherein it differs from other Societies.

vid. the Collection of Papers &c. Numb.

Thursday. 8 February 99

Present Lord Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Sr Humphry Mackworth, Mr Nelson, the Dean of Chichester, Dr Evans Mr Shute, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Comyns, Mr King, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr George Wheeler, & Sr John Philipps.

1 Resolvd That whoever is in the Chair at the beginning of each Meeting, shall continue there the whole Seſsion

2 The Dean of Chichester reported the Model of a Second Letter to the Corresponding Members which after some debate, with an Amendment was agreed to by the Society

3 The Ld Guilford acquainted the Society that the Earl of Warrington had declined coming into the Society this Winter

4 The Ld Guilford made a Motion concerning a Corporation for th Disposing of Charitable Gifts.

5 Resolvd That that Motion be debated at next Meeting.

6 Resolvd That this Society will conſider at the next Meeting of the manner of applying to the Lord Mayor & Sherifs, for the Inſtruction & regulating the Manners of the poor Prisoners in pursuan of what was recomended to them by the Bishop of London.

7 Mr Bridges reported that the School of St Clements wanted a recommendation to the Dean of Windsor the Minister of the sd Paris

8 Resolvd That Sr George Wheeler be deſired to lay before the Bishop of London a List of all the Catechetical Schools in and about London, & to pray his Lordſhips Directions for the freque Catechiſing the Children.

9 Mr Bridges reports that there is Twenty Pounds ſubscribed towards a School in St Katherines.

10 A Letter from Profeſsor Frank of Hall in Germany was read, relat to a Correspondence with the Society

A Letter read from Mr Davies of Bodlythan accepting the Correspon
dence.
Another from Sr William Dawes to the same purpose.
Sr George Wheeler reported that he had seen Mr Dobson the Corresp
ding Member for Hampshire & that he had accepted ye Correspondence
Order'd That Mr Justice Hook do pay to the Agents for Schools
four Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Sixpence expended by them for Print
ing Proposals for erecting Schools.
Order'd That the Secretary do Sollicit the Subscriptions to Dr Bray's De
sign in the West-Indies.
Order'd That it be the first thing consider'd at next Meeting how to
raise the Money due to Dr Bray.

Thursday. 15 February 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Sr Humphrey
Mackworth, The Dean of Chichester Dr Willis, Mr Frank
Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Justice Hook, Mr King, Mr Chamberlayne
Dr Slare, and Mr Melmouth.

Order'd That those Gentlemen that were Deputed to audit Dr Bray
Accounts do sign the same and lay them before the Society at the
next Meeting
Mr Bridges reports that there is a new School about to be set up in
Aldersgate Parish.
Mr Justice Hook's Account of the Several Societies was read and
refer'd to Dr Willis Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Brewster and
Mr Melmouth, & they to examine it, & report their opinion thereof at next
Meeting

4 **Orderd** That Mr Shute be desired to confer with the Ordinary of Newgate about some proper Methods for Instructing and regulating the Manners of Prisoners

5 Mr Frank reports that Mr Wootton has accepted the Correspondence with this Society.

6 A Letter read from Mr Arnold Bowen to the same purpose.

7 Another from Mr Willet to the same purpose.

8 Another from Mr Welshman to the Same purpose.

9 Another from Mr Bradshaw to the Same Purpose.

10 Mr Nelson reports that he has comunicated the Orders of this Society to the Arch-Bishop, who highly approv'd of the Same, & did design to give it some Particular Encouragement.

11 A Letter read from Mr Philip Bennet Minister of Port Royal in Jamaica, & Comissary to the Bishop of London in ye same Iland.

12 **Orderd** That Mr Hodges be desir'd to write to the abovesaid Gentleman & give him an Account of this Society. &c

13 A Motion being made that one Layman in each County be joyned to the Corresponding Clergy, & a Debate arising thereupon

14 **Resolv'd** That the Debate be adjourn'd to the next meeting.

Thursday. 22 February 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Sr John Philipps, Dean of Chichester, Dr W
Dr Evans Mr Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Coll Colchester,
Mr Bromfeild, Mr Chamberlayne. Dr Slare and
Mr Justice Hook.

The Comittee apointed to examin Mr Justice Hooks Account of the Several Societies in London &c made their Report, which upon a Debate arising was Recomitted to the Same Comittee & orderd that the Dean of Chichester & Mr Justice Hook be added to it.

Mr Shute reported that he has discours'd the Ordinary of Newgate about regulating the manners of Prisoners, & gave in Several Proposals for the same.

Order'd That Mr Shute be desired to discourse further with Mr Jones the Ordinary of Ludgate upon the Same Subject.

Mr Michel one of the Agents reports that there is a School about t be begun in St Bridges but wants the Encouragement of Dr Birch the Minister of the Said Parish.

Mr Scate another Agent reports that Two Persons have Subscribe ten Pounds each towards the Setting up a School for Girls in White chappel and Algate

Orderd That a Comittee be appointed to meet at Mr Brewsters Chamber's every Thursday about five in the evening to receive the Reports from the Agents for the Schools.

Orderd That Mr Bromfeild, Mr Brewster & Mr Melmouth do compose that Comittee and all others that come to have voices.

Mr Martyn the Ld Chancellor's Chaplain proposed ye first Time

10. Orderd That Coll Colchester be desired to discourse Mr Wa
the City Marshal about the Corruptions of Prisons &c.

11. Resolv'd That Mr Harris of Llantrissent be a Second Correspondi
member for Glamorganshire, he having by Letter desir'd to be ad-
mitted into the Correspondence

12. A Letter from Sr George Wheeler read acquainting the Society that
the Bishop of London has promist to send a Letter to the London
Clergy to encourage the Catechising of Poor Children &c.

13. Mr Frank reports that Mr King Minister of Alhallows in North-
amton has accepted the Correspondence.

14. A Letter read from Mr Raymond of Ipswich to the same Purpose.

15. Resolv'd That in the next Letter to the Corresponding Members
they be desired to recomend to this Society a fit Person amongst
the Laity to be a Correspondent.

16. Orderd That a Paper containing several Proposals to the
Society be examined by a Comittee, & they to report their opinion a
next Meeting.

17. Orderd That Mr Justice Hook, Coll Colchester, Mr Brewster &
Mr Frank be that Comittee

18. The Bishop of Chester proposed the First time

vid. Collection of Papers &c. Numb. 6.

Thursday. 29 February 99/700

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turnor. Sr George Whe

Dr Davies. Mr Mecken. Mr Shute. Coll Colchester. Mr King.

Mr Justice Hook, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr

Mr Bromfeild, Dr Evans & Mr Melmouth.

Order'd That no New motion be made after eight at night

Mr Brewster Reports from the Comittee appointed to take the Accounts about Schools that Mr Waple the Minister of St Sepulchr would Promote a Subscription for a School in that Parish.

Also that there is a School for Girls about to be set up in St James's Pari

Also That Dr Wake the Minister of the said Parish would Preach a Quarterly Sermon for promoting Subscriptions to the said School.

Mr Kennet Propos'd the first time.

The Ld Bishop of Chester proposed a Second Time.

Order'd That the Ld Guilford & Mr Justice Hook be desired to enq re concerning Him.

Order'd That Mr Justice Hook deliver to Mr Keith his Catechisms in order to be disperst amongst the Quakers as he shall think fit

Resolv'd That the Members of this Society at the next meeting do bring in a List of Laymen fit to be Correspondents in each County wth this Socie

Mr Justice Hook reported the Resolutions of the Comittee about Mr Frank's Proposals which were read and Debated, and

Resolvd That this Society will allow the Agents for Schools their Charges for Messengers.

Resolvd That it be an instruction to the Correspondents to get as many of the Clergy & Laity as they can to joyn in Socie or otherwise to promote the Designs of this Society.

Resolvd That the Several Books & Papers mentioned in Mr Franks' Proposals be sent to each of the Clergy Correpondents.

Resolvd That thirty Pounds per Anum be allowed for a Clerk that Twenty Pounds therefore be for his Diet & Lodging and Ten Pounds for his Salary to cōmence from the ninth of January. 99

15. **Orderd** That the Members of this Society to whom the Account of Societies is cōmitted do peruse the Same, & get it ready to be printed against next meeting.

Thursday. 7 March $\frac{99}{700}$

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turnor, Colo Colchester, Mr Shute, Mr Mecken. Mr Hodges. Dr Harrvey Mr Bromfeild, Mr King, Dr Knight a corresponding Member Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Evans, Dr Willis, & Mr Melmouth

Dr Knight attended The Society & accepted the Corresponden

2 Mr Kennet proposed a Second Time.

Orderd That Mr Shute & Mr King do enquire concerning him

4 Mr Martyn proposed a Second Time.

5 **Orderd** That Dr Evans & Dr Willis do enquire concerning hi

The Ld Bishop of Chester approved of.

Orderd That the Ld Guilford do desire Him to attend.

Orderd That Dr Willis be desired to draw up a Letter aga
next meeting. to be sent to the Lay Correspondents.

Order'd That the Account of Societies be sent to each of the Lay Correspondents by the Person that proposed him, & that the consent of the said Correspondent be signifeed to this Society before a Circular Letter be sent to him in the name of ye Society.

Dr Willis reported the Amendments made by the Comittee to Mr Justice Hooks Account of Societies which were agreed to, and order'd to be printed against the next meeting.

Thursday. 14 March 99/700

Present Ld Bishop of Chichester Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Nelson, Mr Mecken, Mr Shut
Coll Colchester, Mr King, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brews
and Mr Melmouth

Resolvd That Mr Justice Hook be desired to accept of t
Charges which he has been pleased to advance upon the Account of this Society.

Resolv'd That Four Pounds be given to Mr Justice Hooke to distribute amongst his Servants for their attendance upon this Society for the year ending Twenty Fifth of March 1700

Mr Kennet approved of.

Orderd That Mr Brewster do desire him to attend.

Mr Brewster reported from the Agents for Schools that Sixteen Pounds is Subscrib'd towards a School in St Andrews, and that Some eminent Quakers will contribute to the Same

6 Mr Clark Son to Sr Edward proposed the first Time.

7 A Motion made that this Society may consider of Some methods for Setting to work the Poor Children in the Charity Schools.

Order'd That this motion be considerd of at ye Next Meeting

Thursday. 21 March. 99

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turnor, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, the Dean of Chichester Dr Evans, Dr Willis, Mr Woodward, Mr Kennet, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Dr Harvey, Mr Hodges, Mr Melmouth, Mr King, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster.

1 Mr Brewster reports from the Agents for Schools that the School in St George's Southwark is in great danger of falling if not Speedily Supported.

2 Orderd that Mr Brewster be desired to acquaint the Schoo master of the Said School that he attend the Society in order t give a full Account of the Difficulties he meets wth in ye Matter.

Mr Brewſter reported farther that there is a School Set up in Whitechappel for Forty Girls, & that there is a good Mistreſs

4 Also that there are Subscriptions Sufficient for two Schools m in Aldgate.

Mr Clerk proposed a Second Time.

Orderd that Mr Bromfeild and Mr Melmouth do enquire concerning him.

Mr Martyn approved of.

Orderd That Dr Willis do desire him to attend.

Thursday. 28 March 1700

Present Ld Guilford. Sr George Wheeler Mr Shute
Mr Commyns, Mr King, Mr Brewster, Sr Humphrey
Mackworth Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Willis,
Mr Bromfeild. & the Dean of Chichester.

An Abstract of all the Letters lately receiv'd from the Corres pondents was read & approv'd of.

Orderd That a Comittee do meet weekly at Mr Brewsters Chamb to inspect the Letters from the Correspondents & to draw up ansi to them

Orderd That all Members that come, have voices.

Mr Shutes Scheme for Regulating the Abuses of Prisons was Rea refer'd to the Consideration of the Dean of Chichester.

vid. M.S. Book entitul'd An Abstract of all the Letters from t Corresponding Members to the Honble Society &c.

vid Collection of Papers &c. Numb.

Thursday. 4 April 1700.

Present Lord Guilford, Sr George Wheeler,
Mr Kennet. Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Sr Edmund
Turnor, Mr King, Mr Brewster, Dr Harvey, Mr Cha
berlayne, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, the Dean of
Chichester, and Mr Melmouth.

1 Resolv'd That the Prayers for the use of the Society be read by ye most Dignified, or Senior Clergyman.

2 Mr Skeat reports that the vestry of Algate has given Twenty Pounds per ann: to a Schoolmaster for teaching twenty Children.

3 Mr Bridges reports that the Subscriptions in St Andrews encrease very much.

4 Another of the Agents reports that there is Sixteen Pounds ~~are~~ Subscribed towards a School in Sepulchres.

5 Order'd that the Treasurer do give Five Pounds to Mr Syms as Reward of his Industry & Charity in teaching Forty Boys gratis.

6 Resolv'd That this Society will discharge the Deficiency of ye last Quarteridge to the Schoolmaster in Southwark & make good anoth

7 Mr Clerk approved of.

8 Order'd that Mr Melmouth do desire him to attend.

9 Mr Melmouth proposed Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Dutton Seaman jun: the first time.

10 Order'd that five hundred of Dr Brays Sermons be printed at the Expence of this Society.

Thursday. 11 April 700

Present Ld Bishop of Chester Ld Bishop of Chichest
Dean of Chichester Sr John Philipps, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Nelson. Sr Edm: Turner, Dr Mapletoft, Mr Clark, Mr Melmouth Mr King Dr Evans, Mr Brewst
Mr Wesley Mr Shute & Mr Justice Hook.

Mr Dutton Seaman jun: propos'd a Second Time.

Orderd that Mr Nelson & Mr Clark do enquire concerning Him.

Mr Adamson's Letter of Burton was read with the Articles agreed on by the Society of the Clergy in Lincolnshire near Granth

The Modell of a Circular Letter to ye Lay Correspondts read & approv

Mr Keith reported the Conversion of Divers Quakers.

Orderd that Mr Keith's Books be deliverd to him to dispose of.

Resolv'd that Mr Keith's New Narrative be recommended to the Correspondents.

Orderd that the Treasurer pay Mr Keith Twenty Guineas as Present from ye Society which He paid accordingly.

Mr Bromfeild reports that Several Persons at Rygate incline to form a Society and desire that the Honble Mr Hare be requested to assist them.

Orderd that Sr John Philipps & Mr Justice Hook be desired to apply to Mr Hare on that occasion and that Mr Chamberlayne send the Circular Letter to Mr Cranson the Minister of Rygate.

Mr Shute reports yt Mr Kettlewell's Books are distributed according to Or

vid. the Collection of Papers &c. Numb.

Thursday. 18. April 700.

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Humph: Mackworth
Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Sr Edm: Turnor, Mr
Justice Hook, The Dean of Chichester Mr Shute, Sr
Geo: Wheeler, Mr Clark Dr Hare, Mr Comyns
Mr King, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Dr Maplet
Mr Wesly a Correspondent, Mr Nicols a Correspondent.

1. Sr John Philipps having acquainted ye Society that Mr Hare is gon out of Town.

2. Orderd that Sr John be desired to write to him on the same Account.

3. Mr Dean of Chichester reports that he has set up a School for fifty Girles in St Giles.

4. Also that he has laid before the Ld Mayor & Sherifs ye Schem for regulating the Abuses of Prisons in pursuance to what ye Bp of London had recomended to this Society; and that they answered that they would take it into consideration.

5. Some Proposals for erecting the Society into a Corporation for receiving Charitable Donations towards the Propagatin Christian Knowledge &c. were read & Debated.

6. Orderd that the said Proposals be recomended to the consideration of Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Justice Hook, M Bromfeild, Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster & other Gentlemen of Long Robe that are Members of this Society.

of the Collection of Papers in Numb

Orderd that in the next letter to the Correspondents it be an Instruction to them to Apply to their Respective Bisho for his Directions what other Persons they shall associate t themselves in the carrying on ye Great Designs of this Society

Orderd that five hundred of the Accounts of Societies be deliverd to the Bishop of Worcester.

Orderd that Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmouth & Mr King or any three of them audit the Accounts of the Treasurer & Secretary, and report their opinion at next meeting.

Thursday 25 April 1700.

Present Sr John Philipps, Sr Edmund Turnor, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr King, Mr Shute, Mr Hodges, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Ld Guilford, Mr Commyns, the Chichester, Dr Evans, Mr Meeken, Mr Melmou and Mr Bromfeild.

Sr John Philipps reports that he has writ to Mr Hare according to ye desire of the Society.

Mr Brewster reports from the Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer & Secretaries Accounts, that they ha made some progress therein, & would perfect ye same against the next Meeting.

3. Order'd that that Cōmittee do meet on Saturday next to finish the said Accounts.

4. Order'd that the Clerk of the Society do from time t attend the Members of the Society at their Several houses & Lodgings and receive of them their quarterly . Subscriptions, & pay the same imediately into ye hand of the Treasurer for ye time being.

5. Orderd that a List be drawn up of the Names of the Members of this Society wth the Several Sums by them Subscribed & the Respective places of their abode when m Town, and put into the hands of the said Clerk.

6. Mr Seaman approv'd of.

Ordord that Mr Melmouth do desire him to attend.

8. Mr Justice Hook propos'd Mr Whitlock Bulstrode ye first time

9 Mr Justice Hook reports that Mr Salmon of Mepsale in Bedfordshire has with great Success prevail'd upon the youth of his Parish to go to School to learn to read and write and their Catechism in ye close of the winter Evenings, & on ye Servants of ye said Parish to come to him once a week for his Instruction.

Order'd that this Method be imparted to ye next Corresponding Members in the next Circular Letter, & they to be advised to pursue ye same in their Respective Pary

Orderd that it be an Instruction to the Correspondent when they wait on their respective Diocesans to lay before them three or four of ye Printed Acc^{ts} of Societi

Thursday. 2 May 1700.

Present Sr John Philipps, Sr Edmund Turnor,
Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Dr Evans, Mr Nelson,
Mr Justice Hook, Mr King, Mr Clerk, Mr Chamberlayn
Dr Mapletoft, Mr Shute, Mr Seaman, & Mr Melmouth

Resolv'd that it is the oppinion of this Society that a good correspondence be encouraged & maintain'd between this and the Societies for the Reformation of Manners & ye Religious Societies

Sr Humphrey Mackworth reports that the Comittee appointed to audit the Treasurer & Secretaries Accounts have perused and approv'd the Same, & find that there is due to Mr Justice Hook Four Pounds five Shillings & Ten Pence upon the Ballance the Secretaries Account being included therein. And that the said Comittee desire a fortnights time to put the Said Accounts into a better Method — which was orderd accordingly —

Mr Bulstrode proposed a Second time

Order'd that Mr elmouth & Mr Seaman doe enquire about him

Order'd that five hundred more of Dr Brays Sermons be printed off, amounting in all to Thousand

Order'd that a Competent Number of the Said Sermons be sent to the Correspondents to be by them distributed to Such Charitable Persons as they shall think inclined to contribute towards the author's good designs.

Mr Justice Hook reports from the Agents of Schools that there is Sixty Pounds Subscribed in St Clements Parish towards a Charity School.

7. Orderd that no Letter be sent to any Person as from th
Society untill the said Letter be read & approved of by ye Socie

7. Dr Mapletoft reports that he had waited on ye Bishop of Ely
with the Printed Account of the Society who made answer
that he heartily thankt God for it, & would give it all
the Countenance He could.

8. Orderd that the Bishop of Chichester Ld Guilford, Sr
John Philipps, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Justice Hoo
and Mr Nelson be desired to wait on the Ld Keeper wth th
Printed Account of Societies, & to desire his Favor & Counten

9. A Letter read from Mr Lisle of Gisborough, ye Correspondt
for the N. E. Riding in Yorkshire

10. Orderd that it be considered of at Next meeting and
in the mean time that a draught of an Answer to it be
drawn up by the Committee appointed to inspect
the Societies Letters.

Agreed that Mr Curgvenen of Folk near Sherburn be the
Corresponding Member for Dorsetshire in ye room of Mr Wright.

Thursday. 9 May. 1700.

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Edmund Turnor, Mr Shute,
Mr Nelson, Mr Melmouth Mr Justice Hook Mr King,
Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne & Sr Humphrey Mackworth

Mr Bulstrode approv'd of.

Orderd that Mr Bromfeild do desire him to attend.

Mr Lisle's Letter read & the Answer to it, drawn up by the
Comittee, & approvd of by the Society.

vid. the Collection of Papers [illegible]

Mr Franks Letter read and

Orderd that a Draught of an Answer be made by the Com

-mittee appointed to Inspect the Letters against next meeting.

Agreed that Mr Blackwell of Brampton be the Correspond

member for Northamptonshire in ye room of Mr King.

Agreed that Mr Cryer Comissary to the Bishop of London in

Barbados be the Correspondent for that Island, and that the

Circular Letters & other Books and Papers be sent him by ye Secretar

A Letter from Arch Deacon Booth read & orderd to be answerd as ab

Orderd that Mrs Buckner be recomended to the Agents for Schools

as a Schoolmistress as soon as any Subscriptions for Girles be

made in the Parish of St Martin's.

A Letter from Mr Curgenven ye Correspondent for Dorsetshire

read, accepting the Correspondence.

A Letter from Mr Ellison the Correspondent for Newcastle,

read & comitted as above.

Thursday. 16. May 1700.

Present Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Sr Edmund Turne

Dr Evans, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Brewster, Mr Cham

-berlayne, the Bishop of Chichester, Mr Shute, Mr Hodge

Mr Melmouth, Mr Bromfeild & Dr Hare.

Sr Humphrey Mackworth reports that the Bishop of Salisbury

cquainted him that he has given Ten Pounds ꝑ Annũ to this Society

The Bishop of Salisbury proposed the first time.

Orderd that the Ld Guilford be desired to acquaint ye Lo

and Seal wth the Nature of this Society and to invite him to be

member of it

4. Mr Franks Mr A. Deacon Booth's & Mr Ellison's Letters rea
and ye Answers to them wth Some Amendmts agreed to by the Socie

5. A Letter from Mr Harding of Newcastleunderline in Stafford
shire accepting the Correspondence.

6. Another from Mr Cranston of Rygate in Surrey to ye same purpo

7. **Orderd** that the Secretary make an Extract of the Several
Minutes of the Journal that relate to the Correspondents
in order to draw up another Circular Letter.

8. **Orderd** that such of Dr Brays Discourses on the Baptizm
Covenant as are unbound or inperfect be imediately bound
and compleated, and that Mr Shute do take care of it.

9. Adjourned to the 30 of May.

Thursday. 30 May 1700.

Present. Sr Edmund Turnor, Sr Humphrey Mackworth
Mr Shute, Mr Hook, Mr Nelson, Mr Seaman, Mr Chamberlayne
Ld Guilford, Mr Bromfeild, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Brewster;
the Dean of Chichester Mr Hodges Mr Clark & Dr Evans.

The Bishop of Salisbury proposed a Second time.

2. **Orderd** that Sr Edmund Turner & Mr Justice Hook do enquire concerning

Orderd that Mr John Adamson of Burton in Lincolnshire be a
Second Correspondent for Lincolnshire.

Mr Bridges reports that in St James's Parish there is thirty Pounds
Subscribd to Schools & there will be one hundred Girls taught
in that Parish.

Also that two of the Trustees for the Charity School in St Ann's be
Dead Mr Secretary Vernon's Son is Chose in their Room.

The Secretary reported the Several Heads for another Circular
Letter to the Correspondents.
Orderd that the Comittee for Letters do draw up a Letter upon the
said heads against the next Meeting
Orderd that the said Comittee draw up a Letter to Sr Richard Bu
kley against the next Meeting.
Orderd that the Treasurer pay to Mr Bray Twelve Pounds ten Shillin
ut of ye Subscriptions to Plantations.
A Letter from Mr Horton of Lancashire accepting the Correspondence.

Thursday. 6 June 1700.

Present Sr Edmund Turnor, Sr George Wheler,
Dr Evans, Dr Mapletoft, Dr Slare, Mr Nelson, Mr Ma
mouth, Mr Seaman, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr
Chamberlayne, Mr Clake, Mr Shute & Mr Justice Hook.

Ld Bishop of Salisbury approved of.
Orderd That Sr Edmund Turnor & Sr Hum: Mackworth
do desire him to attend.
Orderd That Sr Richard Bulkley be the Lay Correspon
dent for Dublin in Ireland.
Orderd That Mr John Young be the lay Correspon
dent for Plimouth.
The Abstracts of the Letters from the Correspondents
read, to Number 106 inclusive.
A Draught of a third Circular Letter to the Correspondent
read & with some amendments approved of and ordered to
be sent a way imediately. *
Orderd that Ten of Dr Bray's Sermons be sent to each
of the Clergy Correspondents.
[illegible] the Collection of Papers &c [illegible]

Monday. 10 June 1700.

Present Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Shute, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Brewster & Mr Chamberlayn

1. The Ld Bishop of Bath & Wells propos'd ye first time by Mr Shut

Wednesday. 12 June 1700.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmouth, & Mr Chamberlayne.

1. The Ld Bishop of Bath & Wells proposed a Second Time.
2. **Orderd** that Mr Shute and Mr Chamberlayne do enquire concerning Him.

Thursday. 13 June 1700.

Present Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Dr Evans, Mr Sh Mr Nelson, Sr Edmund Turnor, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Davies, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Bromfeild, & Mr Comyns

1. The Ld Bishop of Bath & Wells approved of
2. **Orderd** that Mr Shute do desire Him to Attend.
3. The Secretary reported the Imperfect Minutes.
4. **Orderd** that Mr Brewster be desired to give an Acct of what has been farther don about Mr Stephen's Benefacti

Thursday. 20 June 1700

Present Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Mr Nelson,
Mr Clarke, Dr Evans, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne,
Mr Justice Hook Mr Kennet Sr Edmund Turnor;
Mr Hodes, Mr Brewster, & Mr Comyns.

Mr Kennet acquainted the Society that Mr Griffith had accepted the Correspondence for Barkshire.

The Agents for Schools reported that there is a School set up in St Peters Poors for ye teaching of Twenty boys Gratis.

Also that there is Thirty pounds more Subscribed to Charity Schools in Algate.

Also that Some of the Schoomasters had extorted money &c from some of the Children

Resolvd that no Schoolmaster be allowed to receive any sort of present or gratuity from the Children upon pain of Forfeiting his Office —

Resolvd that one of Dr Bray's books intituled a Discours upon the Baptismal Covenant be given to each of the Reli gious Societies to the Number of 36.

Mr Nelson reported yt the Ld Weymouth had given Twenty pounds to be disposed of as the Society shall think fit

Order'd that Mr Nelson return his Lship ye thanks of this Society

Orderd That Mr Lloyd be the Lay Correspondt for Carmarthensh

Orderd that the Comittee for inspecting the Societies Letters do peruse them from time to time & draw up Particu Answers to them & comunicate the same to the Society

Thursday. 27 June 1700.

Present Sr Edm. Turnor, Sr Humphrey Mackworth Mr Shute, Mr Frank Mr Justice Hook, Mr Brewster Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne, the Ld Bishop of Bath & Wells, the Dean of Chichester & Dr Evans

1. Mr Brewster reported that Mr Blackwell has accepted the Correspondence for Northamptonshire.

2. A Draught of a Letter to Sr Richard Bulkley read and recomitted to Dr Evans, Mr Frank, & Mr Brewster.

3. Sr Humphrey Mackworth Reported from the Committee yt waited on the Lord Keeper that they had presented his Ldship with the printed Account of Societies & desired his Ldships Countenance to this Society, and that his Ldship answer'd he would shew it all the Favor & Countenance he could, and that the Ld Bishop of Bath & Wells at the same time did Recommend the same.

4. A Motion being made for Addressing to Sr Tho. Cook in relation to the Disposal of his great Charity.

5. Order'd that that matter be referr'd to the above named Comittee, & that Mr Bulstrode & Mr Comyns be added to ye same.

6. Mr Nicholas Pit proposed the first time by Dr Evans

7. Mr Little the Ld Keeper Chaplain proposed the first time by Mr Shute.

8. Resolv'd that Professor Frank of Hall in Germany be the Corresponding Member of this Society.

9. Resolv'd that a Comittee be appointed to inspect the Proceedings of the Religious Societies

10. Resolv'd that ye Dean of Chichester, Sr Humprey Mackworth Dr Evans & Mr Frank be that Co

Thursday. 4 July 1700.

Present Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Sr Edmund
Turnor. Mr Shute. Mr Bromfeild. Mr Brewster,
and Mr Chamberlayne.

Orderd that Mr Selyard be ye Lay Correspondent for Surrey.

A Letter from Mr Price of Wrexham read relating to his Curate
Mr Evans that is going to Pensylvania

Ordered that Mr Shute do deliver to the said Mr Evans
of the welsh Pastoral Letters at the Charges of this Society

Mr Little propos'd a Second Time

Order'd That Dr Evans & Mr Shute do enquire concerning him

Mr Reynolds propos'd the First time by Mr Shute.

Thursday. 11th July 1700.

Present the Dean of Chichester, Dr Evans. Mr Justi
Hook. Mr Frank. Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Dr Harvey
Mr Chamberlayne, Sr Edmund Turnor, Mr Hodges,
and Mr Bromfeild.

Orderd that Sr Humphrey Mackworth Dr Evans, Mr Fran
Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Mr Comyns, & Mr Milmouth or any thr
of them do audit the Accounts of the Treasurer & the Secretary
on Saturday next about Six in the evening & report ye Same to ye Socie

A Letter from Sr Richard Bulkley read wherein he desire
the Advice of the Society about the Settlement of Twenty Poun

per Annum for ever for the propagating Christian Knowledge in the West Indies.

3. Mr Pit proposed a Second time

4. Orderd that Mr Bromfeild & Mr Seaman do enquire abt him

5. Sr Edmund Turnor proposed Mr Samuel Harris Chaplain to the Bishop of Lincoln the first time.

6. Mr Little approv'd of

7. Orderd that Mr Shute do desire him to attend.

8. The Dean of Chichester reported from the Comittee appointed to inspect the Proceedings of the Religious Societies, that the said Religious Societies did by four of their Members desire the Advice of this Society whither the Engaging in the Design of Reformation of Manners should be recomended in general to all the Members of the said Societies or only to Some Select Persons amongst them

9. Resolv'd that it is the opinion of this Society that it should be Recommended to all the Members of the Religious Societies to be Assisting in giving Information of any Notorious Immoralities, since such Information will be managed by the Discretion of the Fillers up of the Warrants of ye Comittee of Twelve, & of the Superiour Society for Reformation of Manners.

10. Orderd that a Copy of this Resolution be deliverd to the Stewards of the said Societies.

11. The Dean reported likewise that the Comittee did recomend to the said Societies that they would Apply themselves to the Several Ministers of the Parishes in which they meet, for their Countenance, & Direction

12. Resolvd that this Society do Approve of the Advice of the Comittee & that they will be assistant to the Religious Societies in their Application

13. Orderd that Mr Wilson Rector of Morley be a Second Correspondent for Darbyshire

Dr Evans reported that the Bishop of Worcester had recomended Dr Jephcot Minister of Evesham for a Correspondent with this Society in the room of Dr Hopkins deceased for the County of Worcester.

Resolvd that Dr Jephcot be the Correspondent for Worcestershire.

Thursday. 18th July 700.

Present, Mr Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Little, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Nelson, Mr Hodges, Mr Seaman, and Mr Bulstrode

The Society having taken into Consideration Mr Evans's Design for Philadelphia

Orderd that a Sum not exceeding Six Pounds (including the Charge of the 200 Pastoral Lres already allowed of) be laid out in Books for his use.

Orderd that a Comittee be appointed to consider of proper books upon this occasion

Orderd That Dr Evans, Mr Frank and Mr Hodges or any two of them be that Comittee, and they to meet at Childs Coffee house on Saturday next at eight in the Morning

Mr Reynolds propos'd a Second time

Orderd that Mr Little and Mr Frank do enquire concerning him.

Mr Harris proposed a Second Time

Orderd That Mr Frank and Mr Little do enquire concerning him.

Dr Nicholas
Mr Pit approv'd of

Orderd that Dr Evans do desire him to Attend

Mr Keith attended the Society and gave them the Property of a Sheet of Paper lately published by him and entituled a Serious Call &c.

12. A Draught of a Letter for enlarging the Number of the Correspondents was offerd by Mr Frank & read & approvd of

13. Orderd that the said Letter be Sent to the Several Correspondents as Occasion Shall offer

14. Mr Nelson reported that according to order he had in the name of the Society written a Letter of thanks to the Ld Weymouth for his late Gift of Twenty Pounds, to wch Letter his Ldship returned him this Answer I beseech you to return my Thanks to the Society, and if upon occasion any Money is wanting to carry on their Generous Design upon Notice from you I shall be a ready Contributor, and be obliged to you for the opportunity &c †

Thursday. 25 July 1700.

Present Mr Littel, Mr Shute, Mr Frank, Dr Harvey Mr Clarke, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster Sr Edmund Turnor Dr Evans, Mr Melmouth and Dr Bray.

1. Mr Harris and Mr Reynolds approved of.

2. Ordered that Mr Shute do desire them to Attend.

3. Dr Bray gave in a Memorial to the Society containing the Reasons of his Return to England wch were read and approved of

vid. the Collection of Papers Numb. † vid. Ditto Numb.

4. Orderd That the Thanks of the Society be returned to Dr Bray for his Extraordinary Care & Pains in his late Expedition

5. Orderd that the Said Memorial be printed & Comunicated t the Corresponding Members.

6. Orderd that a Committee do prepare ye Said Memorial for ye Pr

7. Orderd that Mr Shute Mr Littel and Mr Brewster be the Sa Comittee, and that they meet on Friday at 12 at Nixons Coffee house

8. Mr Frank reported from the Committee appointed to Consider of proper Books to be Sent with Mr Evans to Philadelphia, that they had considerd of the Same & had agreed upon a List of Books which was read, & referd to ye Examination of Dr Bray

9. A Letter read from Dr Jephcott accepting ye Correspondence for Worcestershire

10. Orderd that Coll. Dudley be the Lay Correspondent for the Isle of Weight.

11. Orderd that Mr Dorington be a Second Correspondt for Kent

12. Orderd that Mr John Davies of Bodlnythan be the Correspondent for Flintshire

13. Orderd that Mr Whettam of Northockingdon be the Correspondent for Essex.

14. Mr Bridges acquainted the Society that he had Advice from Dr Maningham that a School is begun at Windsor.

15. Orderd that Three Thousand of Mr Keiths Broad Sheets be printed of at the Charge of the Society

16. Orderd that the Books & Papers printed at ye Charges of the Society be lodged at Mr Brewsters Chambers

17. Orderd that Two Thousand of the Papers call'd the Account of Societies with Some Amendments be reprinted at the Expence of the Society

18. Orderd that Mr Shute take care of the printing them.

Thursday. 1st Aug 1700

Present Sr Edmund Turnor Dr Bray. Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges & Dr Kennet.

1. Mr Skeat one of the Agents for Schools reported that there is Twenty Five Pounds Subscribed towards raising a School in Algate, but that Five or Six Pounds more is wanting to compleat it, & that there is Ten Pounds given by a Charitable Lady towards a School for Girls.

2. Mr Nelson reported that he having writ to ye Bishop of York for the Encouragement of Mr Lisle of Gisborough, receiv'd for Answer that he had already encouraged a Society for Propagating Christian Knowledge in Nottingham by Subscribing Ten Pounds to it, and that he would do the like in Cleveland as Soon as Mr Lisle made Application to him.

3. Mr Brewster reported from the Committee appointed to prepare Dr Brays Memorial for the Preſs, that they had printed a Proof which was read & agreed to.

4. Orderd that the Said Comittee prepare a Letter to be sent together with the Said Memorial to each of the Clergy Correspondents

5. Orderd that Mr Dufray of Old Rumney be an Additional Correspondent for Kent.

Thursday. 8. Aug. 1700.

Present Dr. Bray Dr Kennet Mr Dorrington (a Correspondent) Mr. Bulstrode, Mr Brewster Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Reynolds, and Mr Nelson.

1. A Letter read from Coll: Dudley a Lay Correspondent for the Isle of Weight.

2. Orderd that Mr Nelson be desired to Apply to hi Grace the Arch Bishop of Canterbury that he would please to bestow a certain Number of his Circular Letter to the Society in order to disperse them, or for his Leav to Print them.

3. Mr Dorrington attended and Signifeed his Acceptance of the Correspondence.

4. Orderd that Mr Keiths Broad Sheets be sent t each of the Correspondents as occasion shall offer.

5. Orderd that Mr Nelson be desired to return the Thanks of the Society to his Grace the Arch Bishop of York for Encouraging the Societies for the Propagation of Christian Knowledge.

6. Mr Nelson acquainted the Society yt the Arch Bishop was well pleas'd with the Reasons of Dr Bray's Retur from the West Indies and said that it will be of the greate Consequence imaginable to the establishment of Religion in those Parts.

7. On Consideration it was thought fit to alter Dr Bray's Memorial into the form of a Letter, and to add a Postscript to be sent to each of the Correspondents.

8. Orderd that the said Letter not exceeding Five Hundred Copies be printed at ye Charge of ye Society

9. A Letter read from Mr Bridges now in Lancashire desiring some Recomendations from the Society into that County.

10. Orderd that the Secretary do write to the Bishop of Chester to request his Lordships Countenance to him.

Thursday. 15. August 1700.

Present Mr Nelson, Dr Bray, Mr Shute
Mr Little, Mr Brewster Mr Hodges
and Mr Chamberlayne.

1. Mr Nelson Reported that he had applyd to the Arch-Bishop for some Copies of his Circular Letter in order to disperse them amongst the Correspondents with this Society & that his Grace was pleasd to say that he would order his Printer to prepare as many as the Society desired.

2. Ordered that the Comittee for Letters do draw up a Letter to Sr Richard Bulkley relating to his intend Charity for promoting Xtian Knowledge in ye W. Indies

3. Ordered that Mr Thomas be an Additionall Correspondent for Carmarthenshire.

4. Orderd that Coll. Nicolson the Governor of Virginia be a Correspondent for that Province

5. Orderd that the Committee for Letters do draw up against next meeting a Letter to Coll. Nicolson in the name of the Society acknowledging his great Services in Propagating Xtian Knowledge in the Plantations.

6. Orderd that ye Secretary do look over ye Abstracts of the Letters from the Correspondents against next Meeting, and make Report to the Society which of them require a Particular Answer.

7. A Letter read from Mr Burschough of Totness recommending the Translation of Grotious de veritate Xtianæ Religionis into Arabic

8. Orderd that Dr Bray do make enquiry whither that book was ever Translated and whither any Part of Mr Boyles Charity has been that way applyd

9. Orderd that Mr Tomlison be an Addionall Correspondent for Newcastle.

10. Orderd that Mr Reed & Mr Cary be the Additionall Correspondents for Bristol.

11. Orderd that Mr Smith Vicar of Gainsborough be the Additionall Correspondent for Lincolnshire

12. Orderd that Mr Shergold be the Additional Correspondent for the Isle of Weight.

Thursday. 22th August. 1700.

Present Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, and Mr Chamberlayne.

1. A Letter read from the Bishop of Chester recommendin Mr Taylor of Wigan as a Correspondent for Lancashir

2. Orderd that Mr Taylor be the Corresponding Member for that County.

3. Orderd that Mr Chandler and Mr Baker be the Corresponding Members for Litchfeild

4. Ordered that Mr Newbury of Coleshil be an additional Correspondent for Warwickshire.

5. Ordered that Mr ~~Alcatt~~ Neau be the Lay Correspondent for New York.

6. Ordered that Mr Beringhen be the Lay Correspond for the Hague in Holland.

7. Ordered that the Comittee for Letters do draw up two Letters to the two above named Lay Correspondents.

8. A. A Letter read from Mr Deffray of old Rumney accepting the Correspondence.

N. B. Here are no Minutes for Aug. 29th and Sepr. 5th nor any reason given for the omission of them.

Thursday. 12th September 1700.

Present Dr Bray, Dr Evans, Mr Shute, Dr Harvey, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges and Mr Chamberlayne.

1. Ordered that Mr Vaughan be an Additional Lay Correspondent for Carmarthenshire.

2. The Secretary Reported the Abstracts of such of the Correspondents Letters as required Particular Answers.

3. Ordered that an Exact Account be kept distinctly of all Gifts made to the Society for Perpetuity, for Life or for certain Terms of Years.

4. Ordered that the Secretary do write to the Bishop of Ely to desire his Ldship to recomend to this Society a Correspondent for Cambridgeshire.

Ordered that Mr Styth & Mr Atherton of Leverpool be the Additional Correspondents for Lancashire.

6. Ordered that Arch Deacon Entwistle be the Corresponding Member for Chester.

7. Mr Hodges reports that Mr Charles Torriano has give Ten Pounds to this Society whereof Five Pounds are to be applyd to the Plantations, & Five Pounds to Schools & other Charitable uses.

8. Dr Bray reports that he had perused & approved of ye List of Books that were allowed by the Society to Mr Evans and that the Price of the Same amounted to Twelve Pounds Eleven Shill

9. Ordered that the Said Sum of Twelve Pounds Eleven Shill be allowed upon Account. (NB. Mr Torriano's 10£ was part of this 12£·11s·0d and was never brought into any Account.)

10. ~~Ordered that Mr Francis Molineux be the Lay Correspondent for Nottinghamshire.~~

11. Ordered that Mr Knight be the Lay Correspondent for Devonshire. (The Correspondence of this Gentleman was desired by a mistake, instead of that of Mr King of Exeter.)

12. Ordered that Mr Heslen be the Lay Correspondent for Chichester.

13. Ordered that two dozen Copies of a Book called an Address to those of ye Romish Communicants & to be sent to Mr Taylor of Wigan be dispersed by him amongst ye Papists of Lancashire.

14. A Letter read from Mr Blackwel of Northamptonshire promising a Benefaction to ye Society, & Particularly to Dr Bray.

15. Ordered that the Comittee for Letters draw up a Letter of Thanks to the said Mr Blackwell.

16. A letter read from the Bishop of Man accepting the Correspondence for that Island.

17. Another from Mr Taylor of Wigan accepting the Correspondence for Lancashire.

18. Another from Mr Bourn & Mr Leith accepting the Correspondence for Bedford.

Thursday. 19 September 1700

Present Mr Nelson, Dr Bray, Dr Kennet, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges Dr Harvey, and Mr Shute.

1. A Letter read from the Bishop of Chester giving an Account of several Societies begun by his Lordship.

2. Orderd that the Secretary return his Lordship the Thanks of the Society.

3. A Letter read from Mr Chandler and Mr Baker accepting the Correspondence.

4. A Letter read from Mr De Beringhen.

5. Orderd that the said Letter be read again at a full Meeting, & that the Secretary do in the mean time acquaint him that the Society return him their Thanks and will consider of the Things proposed in his Letter.

6. Orderd that Mr Hodges return Mr Torriano ye Thanks of the Society for his Gift of Ten Pounds.

7. Orderd that the Secretary apply to Dr Willis to procure some Copies of the book called An Address to those of the Roman Communion for the use of this Society.

8. A Letter read from Mr Welshman of Lapworth recommending the Ld Digby and Mr Colmar of Warwick for Lay Correspondents.

9. Orderd that the Ld Digby and Mr Colmore be the Lay Correspondents for Warwickshire.

10. Orderd that a Four Thousand Copies of a little book called The Cristians way to Heaven be printed at the Charges of this Society.

11. Orderd that one hundred Copies of the Christian Monitour, Five hundred of the 1st part of the Pastoral Letter, & Five hundred of the 2^{d} part of the Same, and one Thousand of the Christians way to Heaven be delivered to th Reverend Mr Andrews in order to be dispersed amongst th Poor of Virginia according as the Governour shall direct.

12. A Letter read from Sr George Wheeler recomending Dr Morton the Arch Deacon of Northumberland for an Additionall Correspondent.

13. Orderd that the Arch Deacon Morton be ye Additionall Correspondent for Warwickshire.

14. Orderd that Mr John Gibson be the Lay Corresponden for the N~~East~~orth Riding in Yorkshire

15. Orderd that Mr King be the Lay Correspondent for Exeter.

16. Orderd. that Two Pounds Fourteen shillings & Sixpence disbursed by Dr Bray for the Buriall of a Missionary be allowd him out of the Fund of this Society.

Thursday. 26 September. 1700.

Present Ld Guilford, Mr Nelson, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster Dr Slare, Mr Chamberlayne and Mr Hodges

1. A Letter from Mr Frank read.

2. *A Draught of a Letter of Thanks to Mr Blackwell read approved

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* See the Collection of Papers &c. N° 20.

A Letter read from Arch Deacon Booth the 6. September 1700.

4. Ordered that Mr Hook, Mr Brewster and ye Secretary prepare an Answer to the said Letter to be laid before the Society at the next meeting.

5. The Agents for Schools report that there is Forty Pounds Subscribd towards a School in St Sepulchre's Parish.

6. Ordered that Dr Bray do wait upon Mr Neal and acquaint him with the Proceedings and Progreſs of the Affairs of this Society because of his being so considerable a Benefactor, and that he can not attend by reason of his Deafneſs

Thursday. 3. October. 1700.

Present Mr Nelson, Dr Bray, Dr Kennet, Mr Hook, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne, and Dr Slare.

1. The Society having taken notice of some Mistakes of their Clerk.

2. Resolvd that this Society will consider of his Qualifications at another Meeting.

3. * The Draught of a Letter to Coll. Nicholson read and approved of, and orderd to be sent him.

4. Mr Bridges reports that there is Twenty Pounds per Ann Subscribed to St Andrews Parish towards a School for teaching and Cloathing Forty Girls

* See the Collection of Papers [illegible] Numb. 21.

5. Ordered that the Secretary overlook the Minutes & report at next meeting what has been done in relation to Schools in South Wales.

6. Dr Hare propos'd Dr Manningham the first Time

7. Orderd that a Bill of the Agents expences relating to Schools amounting to Three pounds eighteen Shillings be allowed them on Account.

8. Dr Hare reports that there are two Schools set up at Windsor by the care of Dr Manningham who has also procured a Benefaction from the Princess upon ye Same Account

9. A Letter read from A. Deacon Entwisle accepting the Correspondence

10. Another read from Mr Smith of Kimbolton recomending Mr Mapletoft for a Correspondent for the Town of Huntington, and Dr Hutchinson for St Edmunds bury.

11. Order'd that Mr Mapletoft be the Correspondent for Huntington

12. Orderd that Dr Hutchinson be the Correspondent for St Edmunds bury

13. Orderd that Mr Salmon of Mepsale be an Additional Correspondent for Bedfordshire.

A Letter read from Arch Deacon Booth the 6. September 1700.

4. Ordered that Mr. Hook, Mr Brewster and ye Secretary prepare an Answer to the said Letter to be laid before the Society at the next meeting.

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9. A Letter read from Ar. Deacon Entwistle accepting the Correspondence

10. Another read from Mr Smith of Kimbolton recomending Mr Mapletoft for a Correspondent for the Town of Huntington, and Dr Hutchinson for St Edmundsbury.

11. Order'd that Mr Mapletoft be the Correspondent for Huntington

12. Order'd that Dr Hutchinson be the Correspondent for St Edmundsbury

13. Order'd that Mr Salmon of Mepsale be an Additonal Correspondent for Bedfordshire

Thursday 10. October 1700.
Present Ld Guilford, Dr Evans, Dr Bray
Dr Harvey, Mr Bromfeild Mr Brewster
Mr Melmouth Mr Hook, Mr Chamberlayne & Mr Reynol

1 **Orderd** that the Businesſ of the Clerk be considered at a full Meeting.

2. Dr Maningham proposed the Second Time.

3. **Orderd** That Dr Bray & Mr Brewster do enquire concerning him

4. **Orderd** that Mr Barklay be a Corresponding member for Affrica and the West Indies.

5. The Secretary reported all the Minutes in this Journal relating to the School in Southwark.

6. **Orderd** that Five Pounds be paid to the Agents for Schools for the use of the Schoolmaster in Southwark.

7. ~~Orderd~~ Resolved that this Society will make good ye Deficiencys of Subscriptions in the said Parish till Christmas next inclusive.

8. A Letter read from Mr Wynne of Carnarvon.

9. **Orderd** that the Secretary return him the Thanks of the Society for his Benefaction to the Plantations.

10. A Letter read from Mr Tomlison accepting ye Corresponden

11. Another from Mr Taylor read with a Copy of a Letter from him to the roman Catholicks of his County.

12. **Orderd** that the Secretary return the Thanks of this Society to Mr Taylor for ye Payns he has taken in yt Ma

13. A Letter read from Dr Hutchinson accepting the Correspondence for St Edmundsbury

14. Another from Mr Mapletoft accepting the Corre
spondence for Huntin

Thursday. 17. October 1700.
Present Sr John Philipps, Dr Bray, Sergeant Hook
Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne.
Ld Guilford; & Mr Shute.

1. A Letter being read recomending the Ministers of St Albans to a Correspondence with the Society.

2. Orderd that Dr Bray do prepare a Letter against next meeting to be sent to Arch Deacon Cole.

3. Orderd that Mr Hart be the Corresponding Member for Portsmouth.

*4. A Draught of a Letter to Mr Neau read & approvd of and orderd to be sent away. (*see ye Collection of Papers, &c. Numb. 22.)

5. Orderd that the Agents Bill amounting to Twelve Shillings and Sixpence for Pasting up Mr Keith's Broad Sheets be allowd them on Account.

6. * A Draught of a Letter to Arch Deacon Booth read and approvd of & orderd to be sent away.

7. Orderd that the Thanks of the Society be returned to Dr Bray for his Memorial & Act of Visitation.

8. Orderd that the Charges of printing the same be allowd him out of the Fund of this Society, & that the Dr do lay before the Society an Account of the said Charges, at next Meeting

9. An Abstract of a letter from Mr Hales at St Gall in Swisserland read.

10. Mr Hales's Letter appearing to very considerable.

11. Orderd that it be read at the next meeting, and that nothing Intervene.

* see ye Collection of Papers, &c. Numb. 23.

12. A Letter read from Mr King recommending Mr Drake for a Correspondent for Exeter.

13. Orderd that Mr Drake be the Correspondt for Exeter

14. A Letter read from Mr Gibson of Welburn in ye North Riding accepting the Lay Correspondence.

15. A Letter read from Mr Frank.

16. Orderd that the Thanks of the Society be returned him by ye Secretary for his very great Services to the Designs of the Society.

17. A Draught of a Letter to Mr Deffray read and approvd of, & orderd to be sent him. *

* See ye Collection of Papers, &c. Numb. 24.

Thursday. 24 Octob. 1700.

Present Ld Guilford, Mr Nelson, Sr John Philipps, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Sergeant Hook, Mr Brewster, Mr Clerk, Mr Chamberlayne Mr Littel, Mr Hodges, (Mr Foster a Corresponding Member) & Mr Melmouth.

1. Orderd that Mr Foster of Deverel in Wiltshire be an Additional Correspondent for that County bein Recomend by Mr Shute.

2. Resolvd that this Society will continue to disperse Mr Keith's Broad Sheets &c.

3. A Letter read from Mr Hales now at St Gall in Swisserland.

4. Orderd that Mr Scherer Minister of St be the Correspondent for that part of Swisserland

5. Orderd that a Committee draw up a Letter to Mr Sherer & Mr Hales.

6. Orderd that the same Comittee do consider of a List of Books to be sent into Swisserland to be translated

7. Orderd that Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Littel, Mr Melmouth and Mr Brewster be the said Committee & they to meet at Mr Brewsters Chambers on Munday Morning next at eight of the Clock.

8. Dr Maningham approvd of.

8. Orderd that Dr Bray do desire him to Attend.

9. Sr John Philipps proposd Sr William Hustler ye first time

10. A Letter read from Mr Scott a Correspondent for the Isle of Weight.

11. Orderd that the Comittee for Letters do prepare an Answer to the same against Next Meeting.

12. A Letter read from Dr Hutchinson recommending Mr Holland for a Lay Correspondent.

13. Orderd that Mr Holland be the Lay Correspondent for St Edmundsbury in Suffolk.

14. A Letter read from A. Deacon Entwistle.

15. Orderd that Five hundred Copies of ye Printed List of Ministers inclosed in the said A. Deacons Letter be printed at the Charges of this Society.

16. Orderd that Mr Shute take care of the Same

Wednesday. 30 Octob. 1700

Present Dr Bray, Mr Bromfeild, Mr Comyn
Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Harvey,
Mr Shute, & Mr Littell.

1 Sr William Hustler proposed a Second Time.

2. Order'd that Dr Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do enquire abt

3. Dr Bray proposed Mr Ram the First Time.

Thursday. 31 October. 1700.

Present Sergeant Hook, Dr Bray, Mr Shute,
Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne
Dr Evans, (Mr Foster & Mr Davies Corres-
pondents) Mr Hodges, Dr Hare, Dr Willis
Mr Melmouth, & Sr William Hustler.

1. Sr William Hustler approv'd of

2. Order'd that Dr Bray do desire him to Attend.

3. A Letter read from Mr Heart accepting the Correspondence for Portsmouth.

4. Another read from Mr Crake accepting the Correspondence for Exeter.

Mr Foster attended and Signified his Acceptance of ye Correspondence for Deverel in Wiltshire.

5. Ordered that the Comittee appointed to Answer Mr Hales's Letter &c. do consider also of Mr Deberinghens Letter & Memorial.

6. Mr Ram propos'd a Second Time.

7. Order'd yt Sergeant Hook & Mr Shute do enquire
him.

8. Order'd that Mr Keith be a Corresponding Member

9. Mr Price ye Correspondent for Dembeighshire recommending (by a Letter to Mr Davies) Mr William Young for a Lay Correspondent for that County.

10. Order'd that the said Mr Young be the Lay Correspondent for Dembeighshire.

11. A Letter read from Dr Woodward relating to the English Captives in the Island of Ceylon.

12. Order'd yt Fifty of the Consolatory Letters to Slaves be deliverd to Dr Evans in order to send them to the said Captives in Ceylon.

13. Mr Bridges reported that there is about Twenty pound Subscribed toward a School in Clerken well.

14. Order'd that the Members of this Society do Solicit Subscriptions to the same amongst their Friends of ye sd Parish

15. Resolv'd that this Society will allow Five pounds for a Year comencing from Christmas next, towards the Support of the School in Southwark in case there be n Sufficient Subscriptions made by other hands.

16. Part of a Letter from Coll Nicholson the Governou of Virginia to Dr Bray was read wherein he offers hi Service to the Society &c.

17. Order'd that Dr Bray do return him the Thanks the Society & acquaint him that the Society has already chosen their Correspondent for Virginia.

Thursday. 7th November. 1700.

Present Ld Guilford. Sr John Philipps Dr Bray, Dr Kennet, Mr Shute, (Mr Keith & Mr Lewis Corresponding Members) Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges Sejeant Hook. Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Littel Dr Manningham, Mr Reynolds, and Mr Barclay a Correspondent.

1. Mr Skeat reports that theres Twenty Pounds Subscribed towards a School for Girls in Algate

2. Ordered that a Comittee be appointed to draw up a New Form of Subscription to Schools in generall

3. Ordered that Dr Bray, Sergeant Hook, Mr Comyns Mr Melmouth, & Mr Brewster be that Committee, and they to meet at Mr Brewsters Chambers on Monday next at Four in the Afternoon.

4. * A Draught of a Letter to Mr Scott of the Isle of Weight read & approv'd of, & order'd to be sent him.

5. Ordered that the Printed Lists of Ministers sent to the Society by Arch Deacon Entwistle be communicated to all the Corresponding Members.

6. Ordered that the abovesaid Comittee do prepare a Letter to accompany ye same Lists.

7. Mr Hodges proposed Mr Charles Torriano the first Time.

8. A Draught of a Letter to Mr Scherer read and recommitted to the abovesaid Committee

9. Mr Lewis recommended Mr John Braddock for a Correspondent for Canterbury.

10. Order'd that Mr Braddock be the Correspondent for the said City.

11. A Letter read from Mr Burscough of Totness Signifying his Intentions of remitting Ten Pounds towards promoting the Designs of the Society in the West Indies.

12. Order'd that the Secretary do return him the Thanks of the Society for the said Benefaction.

13. A Proposal for Propagating Christian Knowledge in Forrein Parts was offered by Mr Barclay.

14. Order'd that the said Proposal be read at the next Meeting.

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Thursday. 14 November 1700.

Present Sr William Hustler. Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Seaman, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Nelson, Dr Kennet, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmouth, Mr Neale, Dr Davies, Dr Slare, (Mr Barclay, Mr Lewis, Mr Keith Correspondents) Dr Manningham, Mr Comyns, & Sergeant Hook.

1. Dr Bray acquainting the Society that Mr Ram makes but a Short stay in England, and that his Residence is mostly in Ireland, and that he desires to be admitted only a Corresponding Member for yt Kingdom

Order

2. Orderd that Mr Ram be the Corresponding Member for Dublin in Ireland.

3. A Letter from Mr Young the Corresponding Member for Dembeighshire read.

4. Orderd that the Secretary return him the Tha of the Society for his Zealous engaging in their Designs, & that he send him ye Papers & Books of ye Socie

5. Mr Bridges reports that there is a School for Girls begun in St Andrews Parish.

6. Mr Shute reports that there is a Thousand Pounds given towards a Charity School in ~~Aldgate~~ Whitechappel.

7. A Letter read from Mr Frank & committed to Dr Bray, Dr Manningham, Mr Nelson, Sr John Philipps, Mr Comyns, Dr Kennet, Sargeant Hook Mr Melmoth and Mr Brewster, and they to meet at Mr Brewsters Chambers on Monday next at Four in ye Afternoon.

8. Mr Torriano proposed a Second Time.

9. Orderd that Dr Bray and Mr Chamberlayne do enquire concerning him.

10. *A Draught of a Letter to Mr Scherer & a List of Books to be sent him read & approved of & orderd to be sent him.

11. A Motion made for Changing the Day of the Societ Meeting.

12. Orderd that this Motion be considerd of at ye Next Meeting.

13. Orderd that Mr Barklays Proposals be read at the Next Meeting.

* See the Collection of Papers, &c. Numb. 26

Thursday. 21th November 1700

Present Sr John Philipps, Dr Kennet, Sargeant Hook, Mr Brewster, Mr Shute Dr Harvey (Mr Lewis Mr Keith Correspondents) Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Melmouth & Dr Slare.

1. Sr John Philipps proposed Mr Loyd son to the Ld Bishop of Worcester the first time.

2. **Orderd** that John Laugharne Esqr of St Brides in Pembrokeshire be the Lay Correspondent for that County being proposed by Sr John Philipps.

3. **Dr Bray** reported from the Comittee appointed to consider of a new Form of Subscriptions to Schools that they had made some progress in that Matter, as also [illegible] Mr Franks Letter and would finish both against next Meeting.

4. **Orderd** that the Report of the Committee to whom the Letter relating to the Printed Lists of Ministers was committed be made at next Meeting.

5. **A Letter** read from Mr Braddock accepting the Correspondence for Canterbury.

6. **Mr Torriano** approv'd of.

7. **Orderd** that Mr Hodges do desire him to Attend.

8. **A Draught** of a Letter to Mr Hales being offered to the Society.

9. **Orderd** that the consideration thereof be referred to the Comittee appointed to draw up a Letter to Mr de Beringhen.

Orderd

10. **Orderd** that the Consideration of Changing the Day of Meeting be deferd to this day Sennight & that the Clerk give notice to ye Absent Membes of the said Order.

11. **A Letter** from Mr Taylor of Wigan read desiring that application may be made to the A. Bishop for a Deputation to the Clergy of that County to act as a Branch of the Corporation of Clergymen's sons.

12. **Mr Shute** reported that he did accordingly wait upon the Arch Bishop who made answer that he would consult with the Ld Keeper concerning the Legality thereof, & would act accordingly.

13. **Orderd** that Mr Shute do communicate ye said Answer of the Arch Bishop to Mr Taylor.

14. **Mr Skeat** reports that the Subscription to a School for Girls in Algate is advanced to Twenty Five Pounds.

15. **Mr Bridges** reports that there is Twenty Pounds subscribed towards a School in Clerkenwell.

16. **A Letter** read from A. Deacon Entwistle.

7. **Orderd** that the Consideration of the said Letter be referd to the Comittee appointed to draw up a short Letter to the Correspondents &c.

18. **Orderd** that Sr John Philips, Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Dr Kennet Dr Stars, & Mr Shute be added to the said Committee.

19. **Orderd** that ye said Committee do meet at Mr Bren-
ons Chambers on Monday next at Three in ye Afternoon.

20. The Journal of Mr Keiths Travels through Several Counties last Summer was read & gave great satisfaction to the Society.

21. Orderd that the Thanks of the Society be returnd Mr Keith for the pains he has taken in his late Progress.

Thursday. 28th November 1700.

Present Sr William Hustler, Dr Kennet Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, Mr Torriano, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Reynolds (Mr Parker a Lay Correspondent) Dr Willis, and Mr Melmouth.

1. Mr Loyd proposed a second Friend.

2. Orderd that Dr Bray and Mr Shute do enqui concerning him.

*3. A Draught of a Letter to be sent with the Printed Lists of Preachers to all the Correspondents read & approvd of, & orderd to be sent them.

†4. A Draught of a Letter to Mr Hales read & approv of and orderd to be sent him.

5. Orderd that Monday be the Day of meeting for this Society from this time forward.

* See ye Collection of Papers, &c. Numb. 27.
† See ye Collection of Papers, &c. Numb. 28.

A Letter

6. A Letter read from Mr Woodward acquainting the Society that there are some hundreds of French Refugees going over into Virginia, & desiring the Society will please to distribute some of the Religious Small Tracts in the French Language amongst them.

7. Order'd that Mr Hodges do prepare a certain number of Small Tracts not exceeding ye Value of Three Pounds in order to be disperst amongst the said French Protestants.

Monday. 2d December 1700.

Present Ld Guilford, Sr Wm Hustler, Dr Bray, Mr Nelson, Mr Brewster, Mr Torriano, Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlay Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Sr John Philipps, Mr Loyd, Sergeant Hook. and Mr Shute.

1. Mr Loyd approved of.

2. Order'd that Dr Bray do desire him to attend

* 3. A Draught of a Letter to Mr De Berringhen read & approved of & order'd to be sent him.

4. Mr Bridges reports that there was near 80£ collected at the Doors of St James's Church yesterday for the of the Charity Schools

5. **A Draught** of a Form for a General Subscription to Charity Schools read & recommitted to the same Committee.

6. **Orderd** that it be an Instruction to the said Committee that they reduce the said Form into a Shorter compass, and they insert an Alternative either for an Annual Subscription during pleasure or for one only Payment.

Monday. 9. December 1700.

Present Sr Humphrey Mackworth, Dr Kennet, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Coll Colchester, Mr King, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Lloyd, Dr Harvey, (Mr Keith a Correspondent) Ld Guilford, Mr Reynolds, (Mr Porter, Mr Davies Correspondts) The Dean of Chichester, Mr Melmouth, Dr Slare, Sr William Hustler, & Mr Barklay a Correspondt

1. **A Letter** read from Mr Drake of Exeter recommending Dr Osmond for a Lay Correspondent for that City.

2. **Orderd** that Dr Osmond be ye Lay Correspondt for Exeter

*3. **Mr Brewster** reported from the Comittee appointed to consider of Mr Franks Letter that they had consider

* See the Collection of Papers, &c. Numb. 30

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of the Qualifications of a Clerk and had come to Several Resolutions thereupon which he deliverd in writing, and which being read were approved of with an Amendment.

4. **Orderd** that Dr. Kennet & Mr. Chamberlayne do offer to Mr. Humphrey Wanley in ye name of ye Society the Place of Assistant to the Secretary together with a Sallary of Fourty Pounds ₩ Ann. for ye Same.

5. **Mr. Bridges** reports that the Subscriptions to the School in Clerkenwell amount to Seventy ~~[illegible]~~ Pounds.

6. **Orderd** that Mr. Hunt Vicar of Gosport in Hampshire be a ~~[illegible]~~ Correspondent for that County.

7. **Mr. Gardner** reports that the Subscriptions in St. Sepulchres Parish amount to Seventy five Pounds, and that they are going to open a School there.

8. **Mr. Davies** the Correspondent for Flintshire offered a Proposal in writing relating to the Dispersing of Books against Popery amongst the Meaner sort of Papists in that County.

9. The said Proposal being read, it is orderd that one dozen and a half of the Book call'd An Addresse to those of the Romish Communion be deliverd at the Charges of the Society to Mr. Davies in order to be conveyd to ye Clergy of Flintshire to be by them lent to Such Persons as they think fit.

Monday December [illegible]

Present Mr Nelson, Serjeant Hook, Dr Bray, Mr Lloyd, Mr King, Mr Clerk, Coll Colchester, Mr Hodges, Mr [illegible], Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Ld Guilford, Dr Kennett, Mr Brewster, Dr Hare, Mr Gourdon a Correspondent, & Mr Yeaman.

1. **Order'd**, That Mr Gourdon be the Correspondent for ye Navy.

2. Mr Barclay's Proposal relating to the Promoting Christian Knowledge amongst the Indians & Barbarians Read.

3. **Order'd**, That the Thanks of the Society be given to Mr Barclay for his Zeal in that Matter.

4. **Order'd**, That the said Paper be refer'd to a Committee.

5. Dr Kennett, Dr Bray, Mr Lloyd, Searjt Hook, Mr Clerk, Coll. Colchester, and Mr Hodges were Appointed to be the Committee; and they to meet at Mr Brewster's at 2 in the Afternoon next Monday.

6. **Order'd**, That Mr Ludolf be a Corresponding Member.

7. **Order'd**, That his Proposals be Read at next Meeting.

8. Dr Kennett **Reported** that he had been with Mr Wanley & offer'd him a Salary of fourty pounds p ann, with the Title of Assistant to the Secretary; and that he thankfully accepted the same.

9. **Order'd**, That Mr Wanley Attend the next time.

10. **Order'd**, That the Clerk be Discharg'd from the Service of ye Society at Christmass; and that he be Presented with the Sum of five pounds as a Free-Gift from the Society.

11. A Letter Read, from Mr Todd Minister of St Thomas in ye Vale, in Jamaica.

12. **Order'd**, That Mr Todd be the Correspondent for that part of Jamaica.

13. **Order'd**, That Dr Stanhop be an Additional Correspondent for Kent.

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11. A Letter Read, from Mr Todd Minister of St Thomas in ye Vale, in Jamaica.

12. **Order'd**, That Mr Todd be the Correspondent for that part of Jamaica.

13. **Order'd**, That Dr Stanhop be an Additional Correspondent for Kent.

14. A Letter Read from Commissary Bennet of Jamaica, with the Resolution of the Clergy of that Island. & Committed to the aforesaid Committee.

15. Order'd, That Sr William Beeston the Governor of Jamaica, be the Lay-Correspondent for that Island.

16. Order'd, That the aforesaid Committee prepare a Letter to be sent him.

17. A Letter Read from Mr Deffray, Recommending Mr Baker of New-Romney to be the Lay-Correspondent for Kent.

18. Order'd, That Mr Baker be the Lay-Correspondent for the said County.

19. A Letter Read from Mr Drake of Exeter, acquainting the Society that Dr Osmond had given five pounds towards the Plantations.

20. Order'd, That the Secretary Return him the Thanks of the Society for the said Benefaction.

21. A Letter Read from Mr Fenwick the Correspondent of Leicestershire, promising two pounds per Ann towards the Designs of the Society.

22. Order'd, That the Secretary Return him the Thanks of the Society for the said Benefaction.

[illegible] December 30. 1700

Present Ld Guilford, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Lloyd, Mr K
Serjeant Hook, Mr Brewster, Mr Clerk, Col. Colchester, Mr Hodges, Mr Cha
berlayne, (Mr Gourdon & Mr Ludolf Correspondents) Dr Kennet, Sr Humf
Mackworth, Sr William Hustler Mr Meekes, Mr Bulstrode

1. Mr Ludolf Attending, his Proposals relating to the Propagating Christia
Knowledge amongst the Oriental Churches were again Read, & Committed t
all the Divines of this Society, and Mr Ludolf was joyn'd to them.

2. Order'd That the said Committee Meet here this Day-Sennight at
of the Clock.

3. Orderd, That the Report from the said Committee, be the first Busin
of next Meeting.

4. Mr Bridges Reports that about twenty pounds p ann are Subscribe
in Aldersgate. That the School in St Sepulchres will soon be Open'd, nea
near one hundred pounds p ann being Subscribed. And that near one hun
& thirty pounds are Subscribed in St Andrews Holbourn.

5. Sr Humfrey Mackworth Report's That he was yeſterday at ye Sch
at Aldgate, govern'd by Mr Tymmes; where he Saw & Heard the Boys Exe
cised in Spelling, Reading, Catechiſing & Singing, &c. All which, they perfor
very laudably, and to his great Satisfaction.

6. Mr Michel Reports that there were two Lecture-Sermons Preached
sterday at St Ann's Weſtminster (the first by Dr Willis) upon the Subject
Encouraging Charity-Schools: On which day was Collected the Sum of
six pounds towards the same pious Use.

7. [illegible]er'd, That a Committee be Appointed to meet on Friday next at
a Clock [illegible]sider of Mr Gourdon's Proposals for Christian Instruction of
and tha[illegible] Bray, Dr Kennet, Mr King, Mr Serjt Hooke, & Mr Shute, (who
[illegible] Mr Brewsters Chambers) be of the same Committee.

8. Mr Serjeant Hook **Reports**, that he has Received from Mr Francis Bulkeley of Anglesey the Sum of five Pounds, for Promoting Christian Knowledge in the Plantations.

9. **Order'd**, That the Accounts of the Society be **Audited** on Friday next, by the Committee appointed to Consider of Mr Gourdon's Proposals.

10. **Order'd**, That 500 Copies of the Book Entituled Prayers for Prisoners under the Sentence of Death; be Printed at the Charges of this Society: And that Mr Shute be appointed to see it done.

*11. A Draught of a Letter to Mr Bennet Commissary of Jamaica was Read, Approved of, and Ordered to be sent.

12. An Account of a Religious Society at New-Romney, sent by Mr Deffray to this Society; was **Ordered** to be Read at the next Meeting.

13. Mr King **Reports** that there are several Benefactions given to the Plantations by the Persons following, viz.

	£	s	d
Coll. Arscott of Devonshire —	10	0	0
Coll. Quick of Devonshire — —	05	0	0
Mr Stafford of Devonshire — —	03	4	6
Mr Eekins Merchant of Exeter —	05	0	0

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* See the Collection of Papers, &c. Numb. 31.

Monday **December 30. 1700.**

Present, the Lord Bishop of Chichester, Dr Bray, Dr Kennet, Mr Lloyd, Mr Shute, Mr Mecken, Mr Serjt. Hook, Mr Bromfield, Mr Lud a lay-Correspondent, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Willis, Mr Brewster, Sr William Hustler, Mr Seaman, Dr Harvey, Mr Gibson a lay-Correspondent, Mr Clarke, Mr Parker a lay-Correspondent, & the Lord Guilford.

1. * Dr Bray **Reported** from the Committee, That they had heard Mr Ludolf's Proposals Read: upon which, they had Ordered seventeen Catechisms to be delivered to him. And they Referr'd it to him to make such Extractions from as he should Judge would be most acceptable to the Oriental Christians, and like to enlarge their Christian Knowledge.

2. **Order'd**, That Mr Barclays Proposal be Re-committed to the former Committee; and they to meet at Mr Serjt. Hook's, next Monday at 2 a Clock.

3. Dr Bray **Reported**, That he had Received five pounds, the Gift of Wynne of Carnarvan, towards the Plantations.

4. **Order'd**, That the Secretary do Return him the Thanks of the Society

5. The Thanks of the Society were Returned to Dr Willis, for Promoting Collections for a Charity ~~[illegible]~~ by his Sermon Preach'd at the ~~late~~ ~~Charity~~ at St Anne's ~~Holbourn~~ Westminster.

6. Dr Bray **Reported** from the Committee, That they had heard Mr Gourdon's Proposals Read; which (in the main) were Approved. And that they had Referred it to the said Mr Gourdon to make some Additions and dations, and to Answer some Objections; and afterwards, to Attend the Society with the same.

7. **Order'd**, That Mr Gourdon's Proposals be enquired after, and municated to the Society as soon as Possible.

8. **Order'd**, that the Secretary do Return the Thanks of the Society Bulkeley, Coll. Arscott, Coll. Quick, Mr Stafford, & Mr Cabans for the Benefactions. * See the Collect [illegible]

9 Mr. Serjt. Hook **Reported** from the Comittee, that they had made some Progress in Stating the Accounts of the Society. And he moved that they might meet again at his House next Saturday at 3 a Clock, in Order to finish them, which was **Order'd** accordingly.

10. * **Order'd** that the Secretaries Assistant do Consider of a proper Method for the Regular keeping the Accounts of the Society: and that He do lay a Specimen thereof (vizt. of Moneys Recd. & Moneys Lay'd out) before the last-mentioned Committee.

11. **Order'd**, That the Agents for Schools be desired to bring in to the Society with all convenient Speed, a List containing ye Number of Charity-Schools in & about London & Westminster, the Places where they are kept, the Time when they began, the respective Sums Subscrib'd for their Maintenance, the Names of the School-masters & School-mistresses, the Number of the Boys & Girls taught in each School, how many of each have been Clothed, and how many have been put out Apprentices.

12. **Order'd**, That it be an Instruction to the Agents of Schools that they make it their Endeavors that the Children be brought to Church at least four times a year, in Order to be publickly Examined by their respective Ministers. And that the several Members of the Society be desired to promote the same Design as Occasion serves.

13. **Order'd** that Mr. Deffrays Account of a Religious Society at New Romney, be Read at the next Meeting.

Order'd, That for the Future, the Secretary, upon the Receipt of each Letter from any Correspondent of the Society, do make an Extract from it: and that the Extract be Read to the Society, immediatly after Reading the Letter its Taken from.

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* See the Collection of Papers &c. Numb. 33.

15. A Letter from Mr Griffith Correspondent for Berkshire (where
was added the Form of Association of some Clergymen of the said County) was Read;

16. Order'd, That the said Form of Association be Entred, at length, among the Abstracts of Letters.

17. A Letter Read from Mr Frank of Bedfordshire, mentioning that Mr Ellis of Gonalston recommended Mr William Pearson Arch-Deacon of Nottingham as a Correspondent.

18. A Letter Read from Mr Bedford Correspondent for Bristol, recommending Sr John Duddlestone for a Lay-Correspondent, &c.

19. Orderd, That Sr John Duddlestone be a Lay-Correspondent fo Bristol.

20. Order'd That the Reverend Mr Arch-Deacon Pearson, be the Correspondent for Nottinghamshire.

Monday. January. 6. 1700/1.

Present, the Ld. Guilford, Mr Justice Hook, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Harvey, Mr Lloyd, Mr Hodges, Sr Richard Bulkeley, Mr Mecken, & Dr Bray.

1. Mr Serjt. Hook **Reported**, That there are 23ll. Subscribed towards a School at Twickenham.

2. **Ordered**, That Mr Bridges be desired to go thither to discourse ~~Dr~~ Mr Williams (the Minister of that Place) about setting up the said School.

3. Mr Bridges **Reported**, That there was 15s.16d gathered at Trinity-Chappel in Order to set up a School for Girls in St Martin's Parish.

4. Mr Bridges Acquainted the Society how heavy the Business of Schools has layn upon the Agents: and moved that the Society would find out some way of Easing them.

5. **Order'd**, That there be an Assistant allowed them.

6. **Order'd**, That the Salary of the said Assistant be Consider'd of at a Full Meeting.

7. A Letter from Mr Deffray Minister of New-Romney concerning a Religious Society at ~~New~~ Romney, together with the Prayers & Orders of the said Society was Read.

8. **Order'd**, That the said Letter, &c. be Referr'd to the Consideration of Dr Woodward.

9. The Lord Guilford propos'd Mr Collon of New-Castle under Line, the first time.

10. **Order'd**, That Mr Barclay's Proposal be referr'd to Dr Kennett who is desired to amend and fitt it for the Press.

11. **Order'd**, That the Committee for Receiving the Accounts of the Society, do meet at Serjt. Hook's to morrow at 4 a clock, and that Mr Lloyd, Dr Harvey and Mr Chamberlayne be added to that Committee.

12. A Letter from Mr Fenwick the Correspondent for Leicester-shire recommending a Sermon of his to be Printed, was Read.

13. **Order'd**, That Mr Shute do peruse the said Sermon, and make his Report at the next Meeting.

A Draught of a Letter to Sr William Beeston Governor of Ja
was [illegible] Amendments, and Order'd to be sent

Monday **January, 13. 1700/1**

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Mecken, Mr Lloyd, Mr King, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Melmouth, Mr Lidolph a lay Correspondent, Mr Serj. Hook, Sr Richard Bulkeley, Mr Bromfield, Mr Bulitrade, Sr William Hustler, Mr Gibson a lay Correspondent, Mr Fischer a lay Correspon

1. Order'd, That the Secretaries Assistant do enquire after Mr Gourdon's Proposals.

*2. Mr Shute Reported that the Secretaries Assistant had laid before the Comittee a Method for Keeping the Accounts of the Society, which was Approved of

3. Ordered, That the Secretaries Assistant do buy a Book, and Register the the Accounts of the Society, accordingly.

4. Mr Bridges Report's that the Agents of Schools had made some Progress tow compleating the Scheme relating to Schools; and that they should finish the same in a week or fortnight's ~~time~~ longer.

5. Order'd, that there be a Comittee ~~app~~ of all the Divines of this Society appoint in Order to answer the Objections rais'd against the to Inspect the Several Orders of the Religious Societies, ~~to be layd~~ before the Comittee by the Agents of Schools, at the Request of the said Societies. (which Orders will

6. Order'd, that the said Committee do meet the next Thursday come Sennight, at 3 a clock, at Mr Brewster's Chambers.

7. Order'd, That the Secretaries Assistant do give timely notice ~~of this~~ thereof to the oth Clergy-men of this Society

8. Mr Michel Report's that the School at St Clement-Danes was Open'd this day ~~Also~~ ~~that~~ there were two Sermons Preach'd yesterday at St Margarets' Westm by Sr Wm Dawes & Mr Megges upon the Subject of Charity-Schools, and the was 36l. Collected there the same day.

9. Mr Gardiner Reports that the School at St Sepulchers will be Open'd on Wedn next, the Subscription thereunto being upwards of an hundred pounds.

10. Mr Skeat Report's that the School for Girls ~~set~~ in East-Smithfield in the Parish of Algate, was Open'd this day, above fourty pounds being thereunto.

11. Also that there are 3 Schools lately Opend at Wimbleton two for Girls & one for Boys, erected by twenty Gentlemen who which each subscribed four pounds apiece for ten years.

12. Resolv'd That the Revd. Mr Coghan be the Inspector of all the Charity Schools in and about London & Westminster.

13. Resolv'd, That his Salary be twenty pounds per Annum.

14. Mr Colton Proposed the second Time.

15. Order'd, That Mr Lloyd & Captain Parker do Enquire concerning him.

~~Mr Hale Reports~~

16. A Letter Read from ye Revd. Mr Bedford Correspondent for Bristol.

17. Order'd that the said Letter be Considered at the next Meeting.

Monday. January 20. 1700/1.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Lloyd, Mr Nelson, Mr Just. Hook,
Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Ludolf a Lay Correspondent,
Mr Toriano, Dr Slare, Dr Kennet, Mr ~~Coggan~~ Hodges, Mr Colton, Mr
Mr Mason, a Correspondent, Dr Willis, [illegible], Mr King, Mr Seaman,
Mr Bromfield, Mr Melmouth,

1. Mr Colton Approv'd of, and Mr Lloyd ~~Order'd~~ to desire him to Atte

2. Order'd That Mr Mason be a Corresponding Member.

3. Dr Bray Propos'd the Ld Bishop of Worcester the first Time.

4. A Letter Read from Sr Thomas Pope Blount to Mr Chamberlayne relating to the School at Twi
ham, whereunto almost 40£ a year, he says, is already subscribed.

5. Mr Hodges reports that Dr Woodward has perused and Corrected Mr Deffray's Acct of a Religious Society.

6. Orderd that the sd Acct be fairly transcribed and re=ferr'd to the Comittee of Divines that are to meet next Thursday abt the businesse of the Religious Societie

7. Order'd that Mr Barclay's Proposal do remain with Dr Kennet, t
farther Orders.

8. Order'd that Mr Goardon's Proposals be Recommitted to Dr Will

9. Mr Shute Reports that at Algate the Vestry have made an Order to t
in twenty boys more into Mr Symms's School, and to allow him 20 p

10. A Debate arising about an Assistant to the Agents of Schools, it
adjourned to the next Meeting.

11. Order'd that it be Referred to the ~~[illegible]~~ Gentlemen of the Society
to meet next Thursday at Mr Brewster's, to Propose the Ld Bp of [illegible]
[illegible]

Mr Bedford's Letter appearing Considerable

13. Ordered that ~~that~~ it be the first thing Considered at the next meeting and nothing to intervene.

14. The English Translation of a French Letter from Mr de Beringhen, Read

15. Ordered that the Secretary do write him ~~an~~ a short Answer (of Thanks.)

16. A Letter Read from Sr John Duddlestone who accepting the Correspondence ~~Read~~.

17. Ordered that there be a Committee appointed to draw up a second Letter to the Lay Correspondents.

18. Ordered that henceforward the Secretary or his Assistant ~~have~~ do draw up an Answer to such Letters of less moment, which they shall receive, and that these Answers be Read to the Society at the same time with the Letters themselves.

19. A Letter Read from Mr Drake of Exeter, shewing that he had sent six Guineas towards the Plantations.

20 Order'd that Mr King do return him the Thanks of the Society for ye same.

21. Ordered that Mr Ostervald be the Correspondent for New Chastel in Switzerland.

Thursday January 23. 1700/1.

Present Dr Bray, Dr Woodward, Dr Willis, Dr Kennet, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster.

1. Dr Bray propos'd the Ld. Bishop of Worcester the second time.

Ordered Dr ~~Mr~~ Bray & Mr Shute do enquire concerning him.

Monday. January 27. 1700/1

Present, the Lord Guilford, Dr Evans, Mr Serjt Hooker, Mr Hodges, Mr King,
Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr George Keith a Correspondent, Mr
Coll. Colchester, Mr Toriano, Mr Hoblin a Corresponding Member,
Hustler, Dr Willis, Mr Nelson, Mr Lloyd, Mr Parker a Correspondent,
Gibson a Correspondent, the Ld Bishop of Worcester, Dr Bray, Mr Seaman,
Richard Bulkeley, Mr Masson a Correspondent, Dr Harr, Mr Colton.

1 The Ld Bishop of Worcester Approv'd of, and Mr Lloyd to desire his Attendance.

2. Ordered that Mr Robt Hoblin be a Corresponding Member for St Columb in Cornwall. (being Propos'd by Mr Shute)

3. Mr Hodges Propos'd Mr John Trimmer of Wimbledon the first Time.

4. Mr Toriano presented five pounds to the Society, from a Gentleman who desire's to be unknown.

5. Order'd that the Thanks of the Society be Return'd him by Mr Torian

6. Mr Nelson Propos'd Sr Richard Blackmore the first time,

7. Order'd that the Secretary, his Assistant, &c, do Inspect the Journal, in Order to per-fect the same.

8. Mr Bedford's Letter being again Read,

9. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do Transcribe it, and do wait on the Lord Bishop of Worcester with the Copie; ~~which~~ which his Lordship promise's to Com-municate to his Grace the Lord Arch-Bishop of Canterbury.

10. Ordered that Mr Hughes of Lauherne, & Mr John Philipps of Caermarthen be Lay Correspondent members; the former for the County, the Latter for the Town of Caermarthen.

11. Ordered that the Packet of books be delivered to Mr Hughes, as is usual to Correspondents.

12. Ordered that the latter part of Mr Bedfords Letter relating to the Clergy of Wales, be again Considered, after that the Ld Bishop of Bangor & Sr John Philipps are come to Town.

13. Dr Willis Reported from the Committee appointed to Inspect the Orders of the
ligious Societies, that they had made some Progress in the Matter to the
ferr'd; and he Mov'd that they might meet again at the same Place
next Thursday come seven-night. Which was granted.

14. Dr Woodward Reported from the Committee, that they had perused the new ~~Corrected~~ Copie of Mr Deffray's account of the Religious Society at Romney and that they had Directed Dr Kennett to draw up a Letter of Thanks to the said Mr Deffray upon account of his pious Intentions therein.

Dr Willis Reported that he believes Mr Gourdon's Proposals to be impracticable.

~~Ordered That Mr Gourdon's Proposals be further Committed to the Committee who are to meet at Mr Brewster's Chambers~~

16. Order'd that the Consideration of the Reformation of Seamen be referred to the Committee of Divines who are to meet at Mr Brewster's Chambers.

17. Order'd that the Consideration of the Choosing an Assistant to the Agents of Schools, be Adjourn'd to the next Meeting, and that the Agents be desired to attend.

Monday. February 3. 1700/1.

Present, Sr Edmund Turner, Sr William Hustler, Sr Richard Bulkeley, Dr Slare, Coll. Colchester Dr Woodward, Dr Bray, Mr Thule, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Gibson a Lay Correspondent, Mr Clarke, Mr Reynolds, Mr Parker a Lay-Correspondent, the Lord Guilford, Mr Cotton, Mr Lloyd, Mr Malser a Correspondent, Dr Evans, Dr Willis, Mr Melmouth, Mr Brewster,

1 Ordered, That it be Referred to the Committee who are to meet the next Thursday at Mr Brewster's, to draw up a second Letter to the Lay-Correspondents: and that as many of the Society as can attend there, are desired so to do.

Ordered, That the said Committee do draw up a Letter to be sent to Mr Ostervald.

Mr Hodges proposed Mr Trimmer the Second Time.

Order'd that Mr Thule & Mr ~~Hodges~~ Woodward do enquire concerning him.

Sr Richard Blackmore Propos'd the second Time.

Order'd that Dr Woodward & Mr Hodges do enquire concerning him.

Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do wait on the Lord Bishop of Worcester with the Orders of the Society.

Dr Slare Reports that Mr Hughes & Mr Philipps have accepted the Correspond

Ordered That the Secretaries Assistant do deliver Mr Gourdon's Proposals to his Brother

[illegible] Reports that the School for 20 Girls [illegible] will be opened to [illegible]

[illegible] the Treasurer do pay the Agents five pounds, upon the Account of the

[illegible]

[illegible], That [illegible]
them to be dispos'd of, for the Encouragement of the Charity Schools, according to
Discretion: The first payment to be made at Lady Day next.

2. Order'd, that it be referr'd to the Committee who are to meet the next Thu
at Mr Brewster's Chambers, to draw up Answers to the Letters lately receiv
from Mr Francke, Mr Scherer, & Mr Hales.

Monday. February 10. 1700/1.

Present the Ld Bp of Chichester, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr Edmund Turner,
Mr Nelson, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Hare, Mr Bromfield, Col
Colchester, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr George Keith a Correspondent, Mr Seaman.
Mr Mason a Correspondent, Sr Richard Bulkeley, Mr Hodges, Mr Trimm
Dr Evans, the Ld Guilford Dr Willis, Mr Lloyd.

1. Order'd that the Revd Mr Vincent Edwards be the Correspondent for Alnwick
Northumberland.
2. A Letter Read from Mr Ellis of Gonalston.
3. A Letter Read from Dr Stanhop
4. A Letter Read from Mr Taylor of Wigan, with an Essay upon Mr G
Herbert's Church-Porch.
5. Order'd that it be Committed to Mr Shute, & he to make his Report at
Meeting
6. Mr Trimmer approv'd of and Mr Hodges to desire him to Attend.
7. Sr Richard Blackmore Approv'd of.
8. The English Translation of a Latin Letter Read from Mr Scherer of St G
Switzerland.
9. The English Translation of a Latin Letter Read from Dr Francke of
Saxony.
10. A Letter Read from Mr Adamson of Burton, relating to the Society of C
men & others in Lincolnshire, together with the Orders of the
11. Ordered that the said Letter & Orders be referr'd to a Committee to meet at Mr Br
Chambers next Thursday at 4 a clock in the afternoon; and that D
Dr Willis Dr Evans, Mr Shute, Mr Lloyd, Sr Rich. Bulkeley, Sr Edmund Turner, & C
Colchester be that Committee.

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Approv'd, & Order'd to be sent.

10. Order'd that Mr Ludolph's Paper about Catechising, be Committed to all the Divines of this Society, and they to meet next Thursday at 4 a clock in the afternoon, at Mr Brewster's Chambers.

11. Order'd that the Ld Bp. of Chichester, the Dean of Chichester, & Mr Ludolff be ~~particularly~~ desired to be at the said Committee.

12. Coll. Colchester delivered a Letter from Mr Cox (a Lay-Correspondent, relating to a Charity-School in Gloucester) to the Ld Bp. of Worcester, who will make a Report thereof at Next Meeting.

13. Mr Chamberlayne's Answer to Mr Scherer of St Gall, Read, and (with an Amendment) Approv'd, and Order'd to be sent.

14. A Letter Read from Mr Hales to Mr Hodges.

15. Order'd that it be Referr'd to the above-mentioned Committee.

16. Mr Arch-deacon Yeates Propos'd Mr John Hawkins for a Lay-Correspondent for Marlborough in Wiltshire.

17. A Letter Read from Mr Gordon, relating to a Paper ~~therein~~ Enclosed concerning the Propagation of the Gospel among the Indians in North-America.

Order'd that it ~~they~~ be Referr'd to the above-mentioned Committee.

A Letter Read from Mr Colmore a Lay-Correspondent, to Mr Welchman of Lapworth.

A Letter Read from Mr Welchman of Lapworth.

Order'd that the Secretary do write an Answer to Mr Welchman.

Resolv'd that the five pounds which at the last meeting was Ensured to the A-[illegible], towards setting up the School at St Catherines, in Case of a deficiency in the Subscriptions thereunto: be understood to be given absolutely, ~~tho'~~ it having been the [illegible] foundation of ~~engaging~~ other Subscriptions.

Order'd that the Accounts of the Society for the last Christmas Quarter, be Audited here on Friday next at 3 a clock in the Afternoon, by Sr Wm Hustler, Coll. Colchester, Mr Bromfield, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Lloyd, Mr Hodges, & Mr [illegible]

The Secretary Reported that He & his Assistant had gone over the Journal, & had taken notice of the Imperfect Minutes therein.

Order'd, that they be consider'd on Friday next by the above-named Gentlemen.

Agreed, that the Society will at the Next Meeting, consider about filling up the List of Lay Correspondents.

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Monday [illegible]

Present, Dr Evans, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Hastings, Col. Colchester, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Hodges, Mr Bromfield, Mr Lloyd, Mr Chandler a Correspondent, Mr Mapson a Correspondent, the Lord Guilford, Sr Humfrey Mackworth.

~~Order'd that the Secretary do lay before the Society at next Meeting~~

Order'd that there be a Committee appointed to meet next Thursday at 4 a clock at Mr Brewster's Chambers, in Order to lay before this Society a compleat List of such printed Books & Papers as shall be thought most to be sent to th Lay as well as the Clergy-Correspondents.

Order'd, That Dr Bray, Dr Evans, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne & Coll. Colchester be that Committee.

Order'd, That the Secretary do draw up an Answer to Mr Ellis of Gonalston and lay it before the Society at next Meeting.

Order'd, That the Secretary do lay before this Society at next meeting a List of all their Correspondents, in order to render it the more perfect & compleat.

Mr Lloyd Reported that the Rt Revd of Worcester had Recommended Mrs Runer to Dr Lancaster, who promis'd to take care to place her over the next charity School for Girls that should happen to be Erected in his Parish.

Mr Sheat Reports that there is now 36£ a year Subscrib'd at the School of St Catherine's, upon the Foundation of the 5£, first Ensured & then Given thereunto by this Society:

Also, that there is a New School set up at St Hellens for 30 boys, maintained by the Subscriptions of the Parishioners.

Also, that the Subscriptions to the School at Clerkenwell, are now upwards of [illegible]

The Society Recommended Mr Ric. Gunnes to the Agents [illegible] to be by them [illegible] over the next Charity School that is Erected, or happens to [illegible] a School [illegible]

10 Mr Gardner Reports [illegible] for 50 Boys
Clothed is now Open'd.

11 Mr Shute Reports that a Gentlewoman at Cripplegate has given 30s towards the Clothing the Boys [illegible], provided the Society there would Subscribe ~~[illegible]~~ sufficient to make up the Rest.

12 Order'd that ~~the Secretary do write~~ Mr Lloyd do prepare a present Answer to Mr Bedford of Bristol, and that he lay it before the above-mention'd Committee.

*13. Order'd that Dr Evans do bring to the next Meeting, a List of such Welsh books as are proper to be sent to the Correspondents in Wales.

14. Order'd that ~~the Mr~~ Dr Evans be desired to find out a fit person, who may Translate into Welsh the following ~~Books~~ Books & Papers, viz.
1. A Persuasive towards the Observation of the Lords Day.
2. The Caution against Swearing,
3. The Caution against Drunkenness
4. A Rebuke to Uncleanness.

Mr Vernon (Son to Mr Secretary Vernon) was Propos'd the third Time & Approv'd: He having been before Propos'd at the 2 last Meetings, according to Order.

Order'd, that Dr Willis do desire him to Attend.

Order'd, that 200 Copies of each of the Books, which were Order'd at ye last Meeting to be bought & dispers'd amongst the Seamen; be deliver'd to Dr Bray, to be dispers'd in Maryland & Virginia.

Mr Lloyd Reported from the Committee, that they had taken Mr Ludolf's Paper about Catechising into Consideration; & had made some progress in that ma

Order'd that it be deferr'd till Dr Woodroff Principal of Gloucester-hall in Ox be come to Town.

Order'd, That Mr Hales's Letter to Mr Hodges, be farther Referr'd to the above-mention'd Committee.

Order'd, That the Accounts of the Society be farther Consider'd by the same Co mittee who were Appointed for this purpose at the last Meeting.

Order'd that this be done at Mr Brewster's Chambers next Thursday at 3 a clo

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Present Mr Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Col. Colchester, Dr Evans, Dr Kennett, Mr Griffyth a Correspondent, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, Mr Littel, Mr Isaman, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Parker a Correspondent, Sr John Philipps, Mr Colton, Mr George Keith a Correspondent, Mr Ludolf a Correspondent, Dr Bray, Mr Melmoth, Mr Lloyd, Dr Hare,

1. Order'd that Dr Kennet do write a ~~short~~ Letter of Thanks to Mr Deffray of Romney some time this week.

2. Order'd, That Mr Shute do write an ~~Letter~~ Answer to Mr Taylor of Wigan.

3. Order'd, That Dr Kennett do prepare an Answer to the Letter from Mr Hales to Mr Hodges, and that he do lay it before this Society, at next Meeting.

4. Mr Sheat Report's that the School at Clerkenwell, was Open'd the

Saturday.

5. Mr Frank Reported that two young men of Kempston in Bedfordshire have undertaken to teach Gratis all poor children & Servants that come to them.

6. Order'd that a sum not exceeding Twenty Shillings be allowed the Charity

of Kempston, to be dispos'd of according to such Notices as Mr Frank shall

after give to the Society thereof.

7. A Letter ~~Read~~ from the Lord Bishop of Salisbury to Mr Griffith (encoura-

ging the Society of Clergy-men in the County of Berks) was Read; together with

the Resolutions of the said Society.

~~Agreed~~, Resolv'd that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Serjt. Hooke, for his great Care & Trouble in managing the Place of Treasurer to this Society,

Agreed, That Mr Shute be desired to be Treasurer to this Society for the year Ensuing.

An answer to Mr Bedfords Letter was read & app

of & order'd to be sent.

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11. Mr Lloyd Reported [illegible] being

Does suspend the Consideration of that part of Mr [illegible] relating to the Quakers, till the Lord Bp. of Bristol be come to Town.

12. Order'd that what Cash does remain in ~~the Treasurers~~ Mr Serjt Hook's hands, that was advanc'd upon the Account of the Plantations viz the sum of 23.18.0 be paid forthwith to Dr Bray.

13. Order'd that ~~what other sums do~~ the sum of 22.17.0 ~~of which was~~ remain in ~~his~~ Mr Serjt Hook's hands, of the Quarterly Subscriptions, together with the ~~other~~ Books & Papers ~~of~~ relating to the Accounts of the Society, be delivered to Mr Shute the new Treasurer.

* 14. Coll. Colchester Reported from the Committee that they had drawn up a List of books, which as they did conceive were necessary to be sent to the Correspondents. Upon which the said List was Read, and with some Additions, agreed unto by the Society, and order'd to be sent accordingly.

15. Mr Lloyd Reported that the Lord Bp. of London & the Earl of Bridgewater would Consider ~~[illegible]~~ of a proper Method for dispersing the Society's Books & Papers amongst the Seamen on board his Majesties Fleet.

16. Also, that the Lord Bp. of Worcester had spoken to Judge Powel concerning the School at Gloucester, and that the Judge had promised to bestow a Considerable Benefaction thereunto.

17. The Accounts of the Society being Audited & signed, the State thereof was laid before the Society & Approv'd.

18. Mr Daniel Nichols was Approved of (having been Propos'd at the two last Meetings) and Mr Bromfield to desire his Attendance.

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* See the Collection of Papers, &c. numb. 41.

Monday March. 10. 1700/1. [illegible]

Present, Dr Manningham, Dr Richardson a Correspondent, Mr Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Coll. Colchester, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Bray, Mr Nichols, Mr Bromfield, Dr Hare, Mr Ludolf & Mr Philipps Correspondents, Dr Kennett, Mr Frymmer, Mr Clarke, Sr John Philipps, Dr Evans, Mr Davies a Correspondent. Mr Lloyd.

1. The Lord Bp. of Down & Connor Approv'd of, & Dr Bray to desire him to Attend.

2. Order'd that Mr Frank, the Secretary & his Assistant do Inspect the Correspondence of this Society, and that they do Report the State thereof at next Meeting.

3. Order'd that they do send away the Second Letter to the Lay Correspondents, where they shall think it proper, before they make the said Report.

4. Order'd that Mr Ludolf's Proposals about Catechisms be Recommitted to the Divines of this Society, and they to meet at Mr Brewster's Chambers next Thursday at 4 a clock, and that the Lord Bp. of Chichester & Mr Dean of Chich be particularly desired to attend.

5. Order'd that Sr John Philipps be desired to speak to Sr George Rook, about dispersing the Seaman's Monitor* amongst the Saylors in his Majesties Navy.

6. The Draught of a letter to Mr Hales was Read and (with an Amendment) Approv'd, and Order'd to be sent.

7. Order'd that Dr Kennett do draw up an Answer to Mr Hales's second Letter to Mr Hodges, and that he do lay it before the Society at next Meeting.

8. Order'd, that 800 of the Kind Cautions against Swearing be delivered to Major Herne, in order to be distributed amongst the Hackney Coach-men.

9. A Letter Read from Mr Vincent Edwards of Alnwick accepting the Corr

10. A Letter Read from Mr Co~~x~~ales of Glaster

11. Order'd that Dr Evans & Mr Lloyd do confer with Mr Dean of Hereford about the Subject matter of it.

12. A Letter Read from Mr Gordon.

13. A Letter Read from Mr Heart.

14. A Letter Read from Mr Welchman

15. A Letter Read from Mr Woollen

* together with the Kind Caution against Swearing, & the Persuasive to the Observation of the Lords Day

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Monday. March 17. 1700/1.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Frank, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Coll. Colchester Mr Nelson, Sr Edm. Turner, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Mr Ludolf a Correspondent, Dr Kennett, Mr Clarke, Mr Melmoth, Dr Stan:, Mr Archdeacon Yeates a Correspondent, Dr Evans, Mr Lloyd, Mr Misson a Correspondent, Dr Willis, the Lord Guilford, Mr Seaman.

1. A Letter Read from Mr Margitts Minister of Kempston in Bedfordshire to Mr Frank, Relating to the late Benefaction of this Society to the Charity-School in that place.

2. The Secretary acquainted the Society that the Lord Arch Bp. of York does desire to see a List of the Printed Books & Papers dispers'd by this Society.

3. Order'd that he do wait upon his Grace with the said List.

4. Mr Bridges Reports that the School of Twickenham will be Opend at Lady-day; above 30£ p ann being Subscrib'd thereunto.

5. Orderd that the Lord Guilford be desir'd to speak to the Lord Brook to encourage the said School.

6. Mr Shute Reports that the Subscriptions to the School at St Catherines are now arisen to 50£ p ann:.

7. Order'd that it be Recommended to the Agents of Schools to keep a Table or Register of the Benefactors to each Charity School, in the Vestry of the Parish Church.

8. Order'd that Mr Lloyd be desir'd to speak with the Lord Bishop of Chester, about the settling a Correspondence with the Clergy & Laity at Namptwich.

9. Mr Franke Reported that they had made some progress in inspecting the Correspondence of this Society; & he moved that they might have farther time allowed for finishing the same.

10. Order'd that the same Committee do draw up a Method for the keeping up the Correspondence of this Society, against next meeting.

11. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do make an Index to the Abstracts of the Letters to this Society, against next Meeting.

12. Order'd that Dr Willis do draw up an Answer to Sr John Duddlestone, and to the Letter of Arch-Deacon Entwistle, dated Nov. 15. 1700.

3. A Debate arising about ~~the~~ A Missionary or Missionaries to America to be maintained by this Society:

~~Agreed that it be deferr'd till there be a full Meeting~~.

14. Agreed that the particular Members of this Society be desired to recommend this Matter among their Friends & Acquaintance.

15. Order'd that the Treasurer do pay ~~yearly~~ to the Lord Bishop of Chichester the sum of eight pounds p ann by quarterly payments, to be disposed of in his Diocess towards ~~the~~ Schools & other Charitable Uses, as his Lordship shall think fit.

16. Dr Bray Reported that 9 Missions to the Plantations are in a very fair way of being compleated, 400^{li} p ann being already Subscribed, besides 50^{li} extraordinary.

17. Mr Brewster Reported from the Committee, that they had Agreed to desire the Lord Bishop of Chichester to draw up a Paper by way of Question & Answer for the use of the Greek Christians: which Paper Dr Woodroff has promised ~~to be~~ shall be translated into the Vulgar Greek by some Greeks at Oxford; and may be then Printed & sent accordingly.

18. Also, that his Lordship had undertaken to draw up such a Paper.

19. Mr Lloyd Reports that Sr John Philipps had spoken to Sr George Rook about dispersing the Seaman's Monitor be amongst the Seamen; which Sr Geor has readily promised to do to the utmost of his power.

20 Dr Kennett's Answer to Mr Hales was Read, Approv'd of, and Order'd to be s

21. Mr Nelson Reported that a Gentleman who desire's to be unknown, has given ten Guineas to the Plantations.

22. Order'd that Mr Jolland be a Corresponding Member for ~~Mr Craigh~~ Brigg in Lincolnshire, and that Mr Brewster do advertise him thereof.

23. Sr Arthur Owen Approv'd of, and Sr John Philipps to desire his Attendance.

Monday. March. 24. 1700/1.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Lloyd, Mr Frank, Mr Meston a Correspondent, Sr Edmund Turner, Coll Colchester, Mr Brewster, Mr Seaman, Mr Bromfield, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Bray, Mr Bowerman a Correspondent, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Dr Wynne & Mr Davis Correspondents, Sr Ric. Bulkley a Correspondent, Dr Evans, Mr Trymmer,

1. Order'd, That the Revd. Mr Bowerman be a Corresponding Member for in Ireland

2. Mr Lloyd Reported, That he had waited on ye Ld Bp of Chester, who ~~had~~ did promise to Consider of some fit persons both Lay & Clergy, to be Recomended as ~~for~~ Correspondents for Namptwich.

3. Mr Frank Reported from the Committee appointed to Inspect the Correspon of this Society, that they had Drawn up a Postscript to the General Lett which they had added to 22 Copies of the said General Letter; which Postscript, with the Addition to some particular Persons, was read & approved by the Society.

4. Also, That the said Committee did desire some farther time for the finishing this ~~Affair~~ Matter of the Correspondence.

5. Dr Bray Reported that the Subscriptions to the Plantations do now amount to 600li p ann.

6. Order'd That the Reverend Mr Shewel be a Correspondent for Graves

7. Order'd that Mr Nelson be desir'd to Return the Thanks of this Society to his Friend, for his late Benefaction to the Plantations.

8. Order'd That the Lord Bp of Bangor be desir'd to be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

9. Sr Ric. Bulkley Reported That Coll Bowyer of Camberwell has promis'd to gi the Interest of 500li, for seaven years (upon fitting Security) to the Charity-School at St Georges in Southwark.

Order'd that ~~this matter~~ it be Recomended to Mr Bromfield to find him sufficient

The Secretary presented ~~to the Society~~ the sum of fourty shillings as a gift to this Society (for the promotion of their pious Designs) from Mr Kendal the Correspondent for Cornwall.

Order'd That the Secretary do return Mr Kendal the Thanks of this Society for his said Benefaction.

Order'd. That the Revd Mr Newton and Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Broment be Correspondents for Newent in Gloucestershire

Order'd that the Revd Mr Johns of Stroud be a Correspondent for Stroudwater in the same County.

Order'd that Mr Edward Willey be a Lay Correspondent for the Island of Barbadoes.

Order'd. That Mr Chancellor of St Asaph & Mr Davies be desired to lay before this Society a List of the names of such Gentlemen as they shall think fit to be Recommended to this Society as Correspondents for the Dioceſs of St Asaph

Order'd. That Sr Richard Bulkeleys Table of Schools, be fairly Copied against next Meeting.

Order'd. That there be delivered to Mr Jackson the Missionary now ~~who is~~ going to Newfoundland, one thousand Copies of each of the Books & Papers following,

1. Former part of the Pastoral Letter
2. Latter part of the same,
3. Kind Caution to Swearers.
4. Persuasive to the Observation of the Lords day.
5. Rebuke to the Sin of Uncleañeſs.
6. The Christians Way to heaven.

Order'd That the Secretary do send to Mr Serjt Hook 100 Copies of the Prayers for Prisoners under Sentence of Death, in Order to distribute them as Occasi shall serve.

Monday. March 31. 1701

Present Dr Manningham, Dr Evans, Mr Shute, Mr Frank, Mr Clarke, Mr Bowerman, & Mr Keith Correspondents, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bromfield, Dr Bray, Dr Kennett, the Lord Bishop of Worcester, Mr Lloyd, the Lords the Bishops of Bangor & of Down & Connor Correspondents, Mr Nichols, the Dean of Chichester, Dr Willis,

1. Order'd that the Ld Guilford be Reminded to speak to the Lord Brook concerning the School at Twickenham.

2. Order'd, That Dr Willis be put in mind of the Two letters he is to draw up, for Sr John Duddlestone & Arch-Deacon Entwistle.

3. Order'd, That the Lord Bp of Chichester be Reminded of the Paper he has undertaken to draw up, for the Instruction of the Greek Christians.

4. Mr Lloyd Reported that he had spoken to the Earl of Pembroke (now first Commissioner of the Admiralty) upon the Matter of Dispersing the Societies books & Papers amongst the Seamen on board his Majesties Fleet: and that his Lordship had promised to encourage & Countenance all the Pious Designs of this Soc

5. Order'd That the Lord Bishop of Chester be Consulted about the Erecting a Ch rity-School at Liverpool.

6. Dr Willis read his Answer to Arch-Deacon Entwistle, wherein ~~he~~ is Offer'd by the Society, the sum of 10li to the ArchDeaconry of Richmond, towards the Er ction of a Lending Library therein, upon Condition that it be brought to perfection.

7. Mr Frank Read the Report of the Committee appointed to Inspect th Correspondence of this Society.

8. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant be allowed the Charge of a Bo for Carrying of Pacquets

9. Order'd, That the Lord Bishop of Down & Connor be desired to recomend fit persons in the Chief Towns of his Dioces, for Correspondents with th Society.

10. Order'd, That the Addition to the General Letter be sent to those Gentlem to whom it has not been sent already.

11. The Secretary Reported that Mr Fenwick had sent 40s for the Pl tations, which sum he designs to remit annually.

12. Mr Bromfield Reported that he had met with [illegible] Persons for the Brewers 500£ and that they would wait on the Coll. sometime this ~~week~~ to treat with him about that matter.

13. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Willey of Barbados.

~~[illegible]~~

14. Dr Bray Reported that in Newfoundland there are constantly (in the seven Bays thereof belonging to the English) about 7000 People, and in Sumer about 17000 souls, who have not yet had any Minister, or any Ministerial Office performed amongst them.

15. Also that ~~there is now one~~ Mr Jackson ~~going over thither~~ who is appointed, to be Minister at St Johns Fort, ~~who is also~~ desired to visit the 6 other Bays, and to appoint a Reader to celebrate divine Service in each of them.

16. Order'd that a sum not exceeding 6 pounds be laid out in Church Bibles & Common prayers, to be sent thither by the said Mr Jackson.

Monday. April. 7. 1701.

Present Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Lloyd, Mr Littell, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Clarke, Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, Dr Slare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Ludolf a Correspondent, Dr Stanhop a Correspondent, the Lord Guilford, Mr Vernon, Dr Willis. Dr Kennett,

Order'd That the Revd Mr Jackson be a Correspondent for Newfoundland.

Order'd That it be Refer'd to Dr Willis to consider of the necessary Alterations n the Circular Letters.

Order'd That Sr Rich. Bulkeley be Reminded of the Table of Schools.

Mr Seale Reports that at the School at East Smithfield, there are now 46 Girls clothed

Mr Bridges Reports that the School at Twickenham will be soon Open'd, 50£ p an. being Subscribed thereunto.

Mr Seale Reports ~~of~~ at Clerkenwell the School was open'd a week ago bout 150£ p an. being Subscrib'd, & 25 boys Clothed.

7. Order'd that one hundred Copies of the Book called the Christian be delivered to the Agents of Schools, & distributed by them according to their discretion.

8. The Agents laid before the Society some Proposals of theirs relating to Schools.

9. Order'd that ~~it~~ they be referr'd to the Consideration of Dr Willy.

10. Order'd that Mr William Turner be Propos'd at next Meeting as a Correspondent for Stamford in Lincolnshire.

Monday. April .14. 1701.

Present The Lord Bishop of Chester, Dr Bray, Mr Mason & Mr Bowerm Correspondents, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Bromfield, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth, Mr Lloyd, Mr Ludolf a Correspondent, Dr Evans, ~~a~~ Dr Willis, Mr Hodges, Mr Keith a Correspondent,

1. The Lord Bishop of Chester acquainted the Society that he should visit his Diocess soon after Easter, that then he would talk with the Ministers of Liverpool about the Erection of a Charity School there, which design his Lordship promised to promote, and that he would transmitt to the Society an account of what he should do therein.

2. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Shovell about a Method of dispersing the Societies Books & Papers amongst the Seamen on board his Majesties Fleet.

3. The Lord Bp. of Chester declared his Opinion that Kendal ~~is a more~~ the most proper place for a lending-Library within the Archdeaconry of Richmond; there being twelve Chappels of Ease belonging to the Vicaridge of Kendal ~~there~~, ~~which~~ the Curates of which ~~chappels~~ are all very meanly provided for.

Order'd that a sum not exceeding $\overset{l}{3}\cdot\overset{s}{12}\cdot\overset{d}{0}$ be deliver'd to Mr Scats, in to buy a parcel of Bibles & Common-prayers for the Charity-school at Cripple-gate.

Order'd that twenty shillings be allowed the Masters of the Charity-Schools
wards their Charges of their meeting the next week.

The Lord Bishop of Chester Reported that about ~~in the~~ Christmass week last, there
a Charity-School open'd at Chester, for 40 boys, to which School is now sub-
ibd 68l. 10s. 0d p ann, which his Lordship hopes will be advanced to 80l p ann, upon
next Journey into the Country.

Mr Shute Reported that the Lord Keeper had given 5l out of the Box-money to
his Society to be disposed ~~in charitable uses~~ towards the promoting Charity-Schools as they shall think fit.

Order'd that Mr Shute & Mr Zittell do return his Lordship the Thanks of
his Society for his said Benefaction.

Order'd that the said 5 pounds be employed in promoting the Charity-Scho
at Wapping.

Order'd that the Report of the Comittee appointed to Inspect the Correspond
of this Society, be again Consider'd at next Meeting.

Order'd That the Lord Bishop of Chester be desired to dispose of ten pou
a year (being his Subscription to this Society) ~~in~~ within his Diocess, in such Charita-
ble Uses, as his Lordship shall think fit.

A Letter with two Extracts of Letters Read from Mr Ostervald.

13. Sr John Chardin Approved, & Mr Lloyd to desire his Attendance. ✓

14. Order'd that the Revd Mr Thomas Pomfret be a Correspondent for Lut
in Bedfordshire, being propos'd by Dr Bray.

15. Order'd that the Revd Mr ~~Thomas~~ John Binnes be a Correspondent for Chad-
ley in Staffordshire, being propos'd by Mr Bromfield.

16. Order'd that Mr Edwar[illegible] Bromfield be a Lay Correspondent for Boston in
New-England.

Monday 21. April. 1701.

Present Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges,
Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bromfield, Mr Masson, Mr Bromfield a Correspond
Mr Seaman, Mr Keith a Correspondent. Colonel Dudley a Correspondent.

1. Order'd that the Proposals of the Agents of Schools, be ~~[illegible]~~ to Dr

~~[illegible]~~ ward, and that he be desired to prepare & fit them for the Press.

2. Order'd that 1000 Copies of the Printed Papers against Uncleanness & Drunkenness be bought.

3. Order'd, that 800 Copies of each, be distributed amongst the Seamen with the other books & Papers sent them by ~~of~~ this Society.

4. Order'd that 200 Copies of each, be delivered to Dr Bray, to be by him dispers'd in Mary-land & Virginia.

5. Order'd that Mr Bromfield be desired to confer with Colonell Bowyer some tim this week, upon the Subject of Charity-Schools.

6. Mr Shute Reported, that at Cripplegate-School there are an hundred Boys cloth with Cloth Coats, Caps, Bands, Stockings, Shoes, & Buckles, for 48£.

7. Order'd that a such a List of the Correspondents be delivered to Mr Shaw, as he shall desire: and that the Secretary do give him a Recomendatory Letter to them.

8. A Draught of a Letter to the Dean & ministers of Newchastel, was Read
~~Mr Masson's Answer to Mr Ostervald, Read~~

9. Order'd that ~~it be~~ Referred, (together with the Extract from Mr Ostervald's Le to Mr Masson) to the Consideration of a Committee, and they to Meet at

10. Mr Brewster's Chambers on Wednesday next at 5 a clock.

Order'd, that Mr Masson, Mr Brewster & Mr Chamberlayne be that Committee.

11. Order'd that it be Referr'd to Colonel Dudley & Mr Chamberlayne to take Care of the Distribution of the Societies Books & Papers amongst the Seamen on board his Majesties Fleet.

~~Order'd, That there be a Committee~~

12. Resolv'd, That all Persons who are in Arrears to this Society, as to their Subscriptions, be desired to pay in such Arrears to the Treasurer, with all convenient Speed.

13. Order'd, that a Copie of the said Resolution be sent forthwith to these Mem bers of this Society as are so found in Arrears; and that their Attendance desired at next Meeting, upon Matters of great moment.

14. A Letter Read from Mr Hales to Mr Hodges.

15. Order'd that it be again Read at next Meeting.

16. A Letter Read from Mr Gordon.

17. Order'd that it be Referr'd to Colonel Dudley & Mr Chamberlayne, and that it be again Read at next meeting, immediately ~~next~~ after the Minutes, and thing to intervene.

18. Order'd that Dr Bray do lay before the Society at next Meeting, a List Books as he shall judge proper to be procured, in Order to compleat a Library for the Fleet.

Monday. 28 April. 1701.

Present, Dr Evans, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Brewster, Dr Hare, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Meeken, Dr Manningham, Mr Hodges, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Masson a Correspondent, Mr Bowerman a Correspondent, Mr Neville, Dr Nicholls a Correspondent, the Lord Guilford.

Mr Nevil Approv'd of, and Dr Bray to desire his Attendance.

Order'd that ~~there be~~ that a Committee ~~as~~ do meet at Mr Brewster's Chambers next Thursday at 4 a clock, for the ~~compleating~~ regulating & compleating the Correspondence of this Society.

Order'd that Sr Edm. Turner, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Mr Bulstrode, ~~Dr~~ Mr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Nevil, Dr Nicholls & Mr Seaman, be that Committee.

Mr Chamberlayne Reporting that the Paper against Drunkenness is not yet Printed:

Order'd that instead thereof, 1000 more of the Papers against Swearing be sent & distributed amongst the Seamen.

~~A Letter~~ The Translation of a French Letter to the Dean & Pastors of Neuchattel was Read, ~~&~~ Approv'd, & Order'd to be sent.

Order'd that Mr Tronchin & Mr Turetin be Correspondents for Geneva.

Order'd that Mr Saurin be the Correspondent for Utrecht

Order'd that Mr Nevile be desired to advertise them thereof.

Mr Hales's Letter to Mr Hodges was again Read

Order'd that Dr Nichols do draw up a Latin Letter to be sent to the Clergy of the Cant Zurich, and that he do bring it to the Committee next Thursday.

A Debate arising about a Lending Library for the Fleet:

Order'd that it be referr'd to the above-mentioned Comittee, and they to meet at Mr Brewster's next Thursday at 3 a clock, & to estimate the Charge thereof.

Ordr'd that four pounds be distributed amongst Mr Serjt Hookes Servants.

The Translation of a Letter Read from Mr De Beringhen.

rd'd that the Secretary to draw up an Answer thereunto.

17. Dr Bray Reported that the Executors of Mr Thoresby having met with his Memorial, have disposed (out of Mr Thoresbyes money left to Charitable uses) of the sum of one hundred pounds, ~~to be~~ in buying of Bibles, Common Prayers & Catechisms for the Plantations. And that accordingly with the said sum, there are bought 40 Church Bibles, 500 smaller Bibles, 500 Common Prayers, and upwards of 2000 Catechisms.

Monday. 5 . May .1701.

Present, Dr Mapletoft, Mr Chute, Dr Bray, Sr Edm. Turner, Coll Colchester, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Clarke, Mr Chamberlayne; Mr Hodges, Mr Bromfield, Mr Deffray, & Dr Stanhop Correspondents, Mr Bowerman a Correspondent, Mr Trymmer, Mr Seaman, Mr Neville, Sr Richard Bulkeley a Correspondent. Mr Masson a Correspondent, Coll Dudley & Mr Bromfield Correspondents

1. Mr Bromfield Reported that Coll Bowyer had promised to Subscribe 20 or 25 pounds a year for the support of Charity Schools, ~~particularly that for one at Newington, & for that at St Georges at Southwark~~.

2. Order'd that Mr Bromfield & Mr Bridges ~~be desired~~ do confer again with ~~Coll~~ Bowyer about this Matter; and that they ~~do~~ take with them the Subscription Roll.

3. Mr Bridges Reports that the School at Twickenham was Opend last Tuesday, & that there are 50 Boys Clothed therein.

4. Also, That at St Andrews Holborn they ~~are adding~~ have Added 20 Girls to the number ~~formerly~~ before taught there.

5. Also, That a Certain Lady ~~Madam Miller~~ is about ~~setting a~~ setting up a School at Watford in Hartfordshire, for 40 Boys, there to be taught for ever.

6. Mr Serjt Hooke Reported that The Lord Keeper had been pleased of his own accord, to promise to promote the pious Designes of this Society, especially in regard to Charity Schools; for which he seemd to have a particular Concern.

7. Order'd that the Thanks of this Society be returnd to his Lordship: and that ~~by~~ the Lords Bishops of Worcester, Chichester, Gloucester & Bangor, the Lord Guilford, Sr John Philipps & Mr Justice Hooke ~~or~~ any three of them, be desired to do the same.

8. Mr Chamberlayne Reports that the Archbishop of York was very well pleased with the Proceedings of this Society, which he was pleasd to promise to encourage in his Province: and that as an earnest of his good will, he would send them to be disposed of as they should think fit.

Order'd that the Thanks of this Society be Return'd to his Grace ~~and that the~~ Lord Guilford, Sr John Philipps, Sr Wm Hustler and Mr Chamberlayne ~~be~~ ~~[illegible]~~ were desired to wait on his Grace with the same.

~~The~~ Resolved. That it be a Standing Order of this Society, That ~~all~~ new Motions be made ~~at the~~ Second Reading of the Minutes, ~~between~~ after those of the first Week, and before ~~the Reading~~ those of the Last.

Order'd, That the Reverend Mr Baron be a Correspondent for Maryland being propos'd by Dr Bray

Order'd, That Mr Rich. Bromhall be a Lay Correspondent for Reygate in Surrey being Propos'd by Mr Cranston.

A Letter Read from Sr George Wheeler,

Order'd, that the Secretary do return him a Short Answer of Thanks.

Order'd, That the said Letter from Sr George Wheeler be referr'd to the Lord Bishop of Worcester, and to the other Lords the Bishops who are Members of this Society.

A Letter from Mr Cranston of Reygate was Read.

Mr Bromfield Reported that Mr Cranston was Erecting a very considerable Lending-Library at Reygate, and that it is in a fair way of being compleat

A Letter Read from Mr Bedford of Bristol.

× A Letter Read from Sr William Dawes.

Order'd That Mr Bromfield do write an Answer to ~~to~~ Mr Cranston.

The Translation of a Letter Read from Mr Scherer.

Order'd That Sr Richard Bulkeley be desired to write an Answer to it.

× A Letter Read from Mr Lewis of Ackrise.

Order'd, That half a Hundred of the late Printed Letter to Justices of Peace, be bought & laid before the Society at next Meeting.

A Letter Read from Mr Thewell

Order'd That ~~the~~ Mr Shute do Confer with his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury upon the Subject Matter of it.

× A Letter Read from Mr Tatam of Sutton (on ye Hill) in Derbyshire

A Letter Read from Mr Ostervald

Order'd that the Secretary do write Answers to Sr William Dawes, Mr Lewis and Mr Tatam

Mr Deffray Presented to the Society for the Plantations, two Guineas from Mr John Thomas of New Romney, & seventeen shillings from another Gentleman who desires to be unknown.

Order'd that Mr Deffray be desired to return the Thanks of the Society to the said Gentlemen for their said Benefaction.

× The Draught of a Charter for the Erecting a Corporation for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts, was Read.

Order'd thereupon, that a List of the Residing Members of this Society be deliver'd to Dr Bray.

154 Monday. 12. May 1701.

Present Dr Davies, Mr Shute, Coll Colchester, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Clar ~~[illegible]~~ Dr Harvey, Lord Bishop of Glocester, Mr Serjt Hooke, the Lord Guilford, Mr Melmoth, Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Bulstrode Mr Jeffray a Correspondent, Dr Maplstoft, Dr Evans, Mr Seaman, Mr Hodges, Sr Richard Bulkeley, Mr Chamberlayne, The Lord Bishop of Worcester, Mr Baccus a Correspondent, Sr William Hustler, Mr Brewster, Sr John Philipps.

1. Order'd, That Mr Nevill be put in mind of the Letters he was desired to write to Mr Tronchin, Mr Turetin & Mr Saurin,

2. Order'd, That the Reverend Mr Baccus be a Corresponding Member of this Society for Cambridgeshire.

3. The Petition of Dr Bray to his Majesty, with other Papers Relating to the Corporat to be Erected for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, was Read.

4. The Lord Guilford Reported That his Grace the ArchBp of Canterbury upon a discourse with his Lordship about the Corporation for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts; had promised to contribute 20 Guineas towards the Charges of passing the Grant for it.

5. Order'd That Mr Brewster & Mr Bulstrode be assisting to Dr Bray in Solliciting the said Grant thro' the severall Offices; and that they do lay an Estimate of the Charg thereof before this Society at next Meeting.

6. Order'd that all the Absent Members be Summon'd then to Attend.

7. The Translation of the Latin Letter of this Society to the Clergy of the Canton of Zurich was Read, Approv'd, & (with some Amendments) Order'd to be sent.

8. His Grace the Lord ArchBp of York sent, by Mr Chamberlayne, 10li to this Society o be dispos'd as they shall think fit.

9. Orderd That the Lord Bishop of Worcester and the Lord Guilford do Return the Thanks of this Society to race the Arch Bp of Canterbury for his promise of 20 Guineas and that they do communicate the this Society and Forms of Subscription to the Right Honourable the Lord Keeper.

10. A Letter Read from Mr Professor Franck of Hall in Saxony.

11. Order'd that the New Account of the Progress of the Reformation of Manners, with th tter to Justices of the Peace, be sent in the Packets to the Correspondents of this Society.

Agreed

Monday. May . 19 . 1701.

Present, Mr Littell, Mr Shute, Dr Davies, Mr Comyns, Mr Trymmer, Dr Hare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Bromfield, Mr Treman, Ld Bp of Chichester, Dr Manningham, Sr Richard Bulkeley, Mr Colton, Coll. Colchester, Mr Nicoll, Ld Bp of Bangor a Correspondent.

1 Order'd That the Lord Bp of Chichester be desired to speak with Mr Dean of Peterborough concerning the Charity School designed to be set up in Covent-Garden Parish.

2. Order'd That the Reverend Dr Green be desired to confer with the Revd Mr ~~Wrig~~ Wright concerning a Charity School at Stepney.

3 Order'd That the Treasurer do deliver to the Agents of Schools a fitting number of the Printed Papers following, vizt.

Kind Caution to Profane Swearers.
——— against the Sin of Uncleanness
Perswasive to the Observation of the Lords Day
Caution against the Sin of Drunkenness.
Vindication of those who Inform of the breach of the Laws.

4. Order'd that the Society do meet next Thursday at Mr Brewsters Chambers, to propose Mr Wright the second time.

5. Order'd that Mr Bromfield & Mr Bridges be put in mind of carrying the Subscription Roll of ye Charity-Schools to Coll Bowyer.

Gardner Reports that at St Sepulchers Parish they have subscribed 13£ p ann. upwards for a School for Girls.

The Charter was again read & debated, and several Amend-ments made, & the names of the Secretary & other officers proposed and agreed to, & it being very late the farther Consi-deration of it was refer'd to Sr Rd Bulkeley, Mr Comyns, Mr Serjeant ~~to~~ Hooke & the Secretary who are to meet abt it at Mr Brewsters Chambers to-morrow at 4 in ye Afternoon.

~~Mr~~ Bulstrode Reported that he had inform'd himself of the Charges of the Charter for the Erecting a Corporation for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts which he found, would Cost, 60li the first Skin, & 20li each Skin that follows.

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156 Monday. May 26. 1701.

Present, Mr Shute, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Neville, Mr Clarke, Mr Melmoth, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Torriano, Dr Bray, Mr Serjt. Hooke Mr Bromfield, Mr Bridges, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Nelson, Dr Evans, Dr Willis, Sr Richard Bulkeley a Correspondent, Dr Manningham, Mr Comyns, Lord Guilford, Coll Colchester,

Mr Bridges reports that Coll. Bowyer has subscribed Five Pounds part of the 20ll to the School in St Georges Southwark and that the School for Girls in St Andrews Holborn is increased to the number of ~~[illegible]~~ Fifty two.

Mr Skeate reports that there is a Benefaction of 20ll lately made to the School of Girls in Whitechappell.

3. Mr Gardner reports, that at St Sepulchres Parish, the Subscription to the School for Boys is arisen to 110li p ann

4. The Letters to Mr Tronchin, Mr Turretin & Mr Saurin were Read & Approved.

5. Resolved That the Accounts of this Society be Audited once a quarter.

6. Mr Wright Approved (~~being~~ having been propos'd the second time, last Thursday) and Mr Serjt Hooke to desire his Attendance.

7. Resolved, That if there shall ~~be~~ present Monies wanting for the payment of the Charter for Erecting a Corporation for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts that this Society will advance the same upon the Credit of the said Corporation.

8. Resolved, that in Case of such want of Moneys, this Society will ~~will~~ apply the late Benefaction of ~~his~~ Grace the Lord ArchBp of York, to this Use.

9. Thereupon, Mr Bromfield proffered to advance 20li to the same use.

Monday. June. 2. 1701.

Present Dr Manningham, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Dr Stanhope a Correspondent, Sr Edmund Turner, Sr Richard Blackmore Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne Mr Hodges, Mr Nelson, Mr Maſson a Correspondent, Mr Seaman, Mr A.D. Trymnell, Mr Melmoth, Mr Bromfield,

1. Dr Trimnell ~~Approved~~ and Colonel Bowyer Approved of, and Dr Manningham to desire their Attendance.

2. Orderd That the Revd Mr Thorold be a Corresponding Member for Rotterdam in Holland.

3. Order'd that a Sum not exceeding four pounds be allowed Mr Hodges for the Translating & Printing in Dutch the following Tracts, vizt

The Pastoral Letter, first & 2d part,
Caution against Swearing
For ye Observation of ye Lords day,
Caution against Uncleanness.
Drunkenness.

4. A Letter Read from Mr Shewell.

5. A Letter Read from Mr Gubbs.

6. Orderd That 1000 Seamans Monitors, 1000 Cautions against Swearing, 1000 Cautions against Drunkenness, 1000 Perswasives towards the Observation of the Lords Day, & 100 Church Catechisms be deliverd to Dr Stanhope, ~~who has promis'd~~ to put them into the hands of Admiral Bembow, who has promis'd to distribute them amongst the Seamen on board the ~~Fleet~~ Squadron under his Command, now designed for the West Indies.

7. Orderd that the Secretary do wait on Sr George Rook & confer with him about the Books given to the ~~Fleet un~~ Seamen under his Command: and that he do write to Admiral Hopson, Mr Shewell & Mr Gubbs.

8. A Letter Read from Mr Osterwald.

9. Order'd that at the next meeting the Letters from Mr Hales, Mr Francke &c. be Read in the first place, & nothing to intervene.

158 Monday. June 9. 1701.

[redacted] **Present** Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Nelson, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr John Philipps, Mr A.D. Trimnell, Colonell Bowyer, Mr Bromfield, Dr Bray, Mr Trymmer, Mr Keith a Correspondent.

1. The Secretary Reported that he had waited on Sr George Rooke, who again renewed his Promises of effectually dispersing the Societies Gift in Books & Papers amongst the Seamen on board the Fleet.

2. Also, that Sr George returned his thanks to this Society for the Trust & Confi-dence they had reposed in him, as to this affair.

3. + Dr Bray Reported that ~~the~~ his Majesty had been pleas'd, in Councill, to sign the Order for the Charter Erecting the Corporation for Propagating the Gospell in Foreig Parts; which Charter is now Actually passing the Offices.

4. + Orderd That ~~that~~ the Treasurer do pay to Dr Bray the sum of twenty pounds (upon the Credit of the said Corporation) towards the payment of Passing the said Chart

5. Orderd that the Secretaries Assistant do wait upon those Members who are in Arr and desire them to pay in the same; acquainting them with this extraordinary Occasi

6. Resolv'd, that the Quarterly Subscription for the next Quarter, be endeavor'd to be immediatly rais'd.

7. Mr Serjt Hook, (upon the Credit of the said Corporation) advanced ten pounds: over and above two Guineas, which he presented to the Society as a Free-gift.

8. Orderd that Dr Bray do return the Thanks of this Society to Mr Blathwait for his great Zeal, Care & Pains in procuring the Act for establishing the Church of England in Mary-l ~~abovementioned Charter to be granted~~.

9. A letter Read from Mr Hales to Mr Chamberlayne.

10. Another Letter Read from the same Gentleman to Mr Hodges, dated May 24. 1701. wherein, amongst other matters, he desires the Society to recommend ~~an~~ swift Officer to the Kin

1. Resolved, That this Society, ~~[illegible]~~, will always decline the intermedling with al ~~[illegible]~~ Matters which are foreign to their Religious Designs.

12. Orderd. That Mr Arch-Deacon Trimnell do write an Answer to both the said Letters, and lay it before the Society at next Meeting.

13. Orderd, That the two last Letters of Mr Hales, ~~[illegible]~~ to this Society, be Copied and sent to his Brother Mr A.D. Booth. & that the Secretary to take care thereof.

14. Orderd, that such Letters as yet remain to be Read, be Considered at next Meetin

Monday. June 16. 1701.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Dr Evans, Mr Bromfield, Mr Brewster, Dr Stanhop a Correspondent, Dr Hare, Dr Kennet, Mr Reynolds,

Mr Serjt. Hooke Reported that the Society for Reformation of Manners had dispersed above thirty thousand ~~of the~~ printed Papers against Swearing, &c. ~~over~~ throughout all the public Houses in & about London & Westminster. And that these Papers were well received in all these houses, tho between six & seven thousand in number, except in about twenty of them.

Order'd, That the Secretaries Assistant do remind such Gentleman who are in Arrears to the Plantations.

Dr Verney Approv'd, & Dr Bray to desire his Attendance.

Dr Stanhop Reported, that Admiral Bembow return'd his Thanks to the Society, for the Trust they repos'd in him; promising to use his utmost endeavors in dispersing their books amongst the Seamen under his Command, according to their Intentions.

Order'd that 100 Copies of the Christian Scholar, be delivered to the Agents of Schools, to be dispersed amongst the Scholars, at their leaving the Schools.

Mr Skeat Reports that the Bp. of Sarisbury preach'd yesterday at St James's upon the Subject of Charity-Schools; and that thereupon there was collected the same day at the Church-door, about fourty pounds.

Order'd, That Dr Kennet be desired to confer with Dr Wake about the Charity-School in his Parish.

The Answer to Mr Hales's two last Letters was read, Approv'd, & Ordered to be sent.

~~[illegible]~~ Mr Hales having desired that this Society would certifie ~~[illegible]~~ the Prince of Hesse-Cassel, upon his coming hither, of their designs & methods in promoting Christian Knowledge.

Resolved, That the Secretary do imediatly inform himself of the properest way of Addressing ~~to~~ the Prince of Hesse-Cassel; and that he be empowered to call to his Assistance such Members of this Society as he shall think necessary.

A Letter Read from Mr Frank.

A Letter Read from Mr de Beringhen

Order'd, that the Secretary do write him an Answer.

A Letter Read from Mr Arch-Deacon Booth.

Order'd that the Reverend Mr Shaw & Mr Lay Blackbourn be Correspondents for Warrington in Lancashire.

16. Resolved that Mr Noah Neale be a Lay Correspondent for Stamford in Lincolnshire.

[illegible] Resolved that this Society will take off 100 Accounts of Monsieur Vallado's Conversion: ~~and~~

18. Order'd, That the Secretary do advertise Mr de Bonighen thereof.

19. The Abstract of a Letter Read from Mr Scherer.

Monday. June 23. 1701.

Present Sr George Wheeler, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Sorriano, ~~Mr Hodges~~ Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Kennett, Mr Bromfield, Mr Seaman, Mr Comyns, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Sacheverell a Correspondent (~~talked of~~, but not actually made so)

1. Order'd that 1000 of the Papers against Drunkenness be delivered to ~~Admirals~~ Sr George Rook; and 1000 of ~~that~~ Papers against Uncleanness to Admiral Bembow; in order to disperse them amongst the Seamen under their Command.

2. Order'd that 1000 of the Pastoral Letters be deliver'd to Sr George Rooke, & 1000 more of the said Letters to Admiral Bembow, for the Purposes above mentioned.

~~8~~. Order'd that the Secretary do take care to see this done.

3. His Majesties Letters Patents, under the Great Seal of England for Erecting a Corporation by the Name of the Society
× for Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, was laid ~~be~~ before the Society, and ~~Read~~ by Dr Bray, and Read:

4. × Resolv'd that the Thanks of this Society be Return'd to Dr Bray for his
✓ great Care and pains in procuring the Grant of the said Letters Patents.

5. × Agreed, that a Committee be Appointed to wait on his Grace the Lord Arch-bishop of Canterbury, & ~~to~~ with the Thanks of this Society to his Grace for his Promoting the ~~W~~ Passing the aforesaid Letters Patents; to know of him what Time & Place he will be pleased to appoint ~~desire him to appoint some certain day~~ for the first Meeting of the Society for Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

6. Order'd, That Sr John Philipps, Sr George Wheeler, Sr Wm Hustler, Dr Bray & the Secretary, or any three of them be that Committee.

7. × Dr Bray laying before the Society Mr Whitings & Mr Mackburnies Bills of the Charges of the Kings Charter:

8. Agreed, that the said Bills be Inspected & Consider'd by a Committee.

9. Order'd, that Mr Serjt Hooke, Dr Bray, Mr Comyns, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster & the Secretary be that Committee; and that they do meet at Mr Brewster's Chambers ~~next~~ to morrow at four a clock

Orderd, that the Resolution of this Society made on the ~~nith~~ ninth Instant upon the desires of Mr Hales for this Society to recommend a Swiss Officer to ~~[illegible]~~ his Majesty; be forthwith Entred amongst the Standing Orders of this Society. ~~and be always hereafter reputed as such.~~

Monday. June .30. 1701.

Present. Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr George Wheeler, & Dr Woodward & Mr Bowerman Correspondents, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmoth, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Serjt Hooke, Sr Willm. Husler, Sr John Philipps, Mr Bromfield, Mr Vernon, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Nelson, Mr Bulstrode. Colonel Dudley a Correspondent. Mr Comyns.

1. Orderd that one hundred ~~such Copies~~ of Dr Brays Baphismal Covenants ~~as are not yet disposed of~~, be delivered to the Agents of Schools, and by them dispers'd (according to their discretion) among such Scholars as leave the said Schools.

2. Order'd that the Secretary do search the Journal of this Society, for their Resolutions about a General Subscription Roll to the Charity-Schools: and that he do make his Report at next Meeting.

3. Resolv'd. That this Society will hereafter take into their Consideration, the Case of such Boys Educated in the Charity Schools, as are of very Extraordinary Parts.

4. Ordered, That the Secretary do consider ~~s~~ the first Circular Letter to ye Correspondents, and that he do lay ~~there~~ such Alterations as he shal judge necessary to be made therein, before this Society at next Meeting.

Resolved that the Accounts of this Society be Audited by a Committee at the Treasurers house, next Thursday at 4 a clock.

Order'd that ~~Mr~~ Mr Hodges, Mr Toriano, Mr Seaman, ~~Mr~~ Mr Chamberlayne. Dr Bray, or any two of them, with Mr Shute, be that Comittee.

Orderd, that it be an Instruction to the said Committee, that they Consider the State of the Debt due to Dr Bray; and that they do make their Report at next Meeting. ×

Order'd that the Absent Members be ~~then~~ Sumon'd to Attend at next Meeting.

Resolv'd that ~~his Excellency~~ Coll Joseph Dudley now Governor of New-England, be desired to be a Correspondent with this Society for that Province.

The said Gentleman happening to be present, readily accepted it.

Mr Chamberlayne Reported that ~~they~~ the Committee had waited on his Grace the Lord Arch-Bishop of Canterbury with the Thanks of this Society; and that his Grace, ~~in pursuance of the desires of this Society~~, had been pleas'd to summon the Corporation to meet together as for last Friday at his Palace of Lambeth. ×

12. *Also*, That the said Corporation had actually met there accordingly: and made choise of their Officers. ×

13. Mr Chamberlayne Reported from the Comittee Appointed to inspect Mr Whitings & Mr Mackburnies Bills of the Charges of Passing the Charter: That they had inspected the same Accordingly: And that the Corporation at their late Meeting had been pleased to take Cognizance thereof, and had referr'd them to their own Auditors.

14. A Letter Read from Mr Westley.

Order'd, that the Secretary do communicate it to Mr Dean of Chichester; and that he do write Mr Westley a present Answer; and another letter to Mr Smith of Gainsborough.

15. A Letter Read from Mr Johns of Stroud.

16. Orderd that the Secretary do write him an Answer

17. A Letter Read from Mr Harriss of Llantrissent.

18. Orderd that George Howells Esqr be a Lay Correspondent for Bovile near Cardiffe in Glamorganshire.

19. Order'd that the Secretary do write an Answer to Mr Harriss.

Monday. 7. July. 1701.

Present. Dr Bray, Mr Arch-D. Trimnell, Mr Arch-D. Kennett, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Bromfield, Dr Slare, Mr Keith a Correspondent. Dr Evans

1. A Debate Arising about altering the day of this Societies Meeting:

Order'd, that it be postpon'd till a fuller Meeting.

2. Dr Kennett made his Report of the Conference between him & Dr Wake, pursuant to the desires of this Society upon the 16th of June. and the Society acquies'd in Dr Wake's Opinion.

3. *Resolved*, That a fitting Number of the Prayers for Condemned Criminals be dispers'd throughout the several Circuits.

4. *Order'd*, That Mr Chamberlayne do take care to see this done.

5. Mr Skeat & Mr Gardner presenting to the Society a written Account of their late Journey into the Countrey, in order to disperse the Books & Papers for Reformation of Manners

6. *Resolved*, That the Thanks of this Society be given to them for the same.

7. Mr Skeat reported that there are 18 Boys ready to be discharged out of Algate School, & moved the Society for a small sum of Mony towards Perfecting them in Writing & Acc

8. Orderd that a sum not exceeding Five Pounds be allowed the Agents upon that Account.

9. Orderd that the Reverend Mr Hodges the Chaplain General of the Fleet be a Corresponding Member.

10. The Secretary reported the several Minutes relating to a Form of a General Subscription to Schools.

11. Orderd that the Secretary do prepare a Draught of such a Form & lay it before the Society at next Meeting.

12. Orderd that the Consideration of the State of the Debt to Dr Bray upon the Acct of the Plantations be Adjourn'd to the next Meeting

13. The Secretary presented his Report of the Alterations fit to be made in the several Circular Letters

14. Orderd that the said Report be read at next Meeting.

15. Orderd that Mr Paul Dudley be an Additional Corres=pondent for Boston in New England

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Monday. 14. July. 1701.

Present, Sr George Wheeler, Dr Bray, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Dudley a Correspondent, Mr Brewster, Mr Bromfield

1. Resolv'd, That the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Bulstrode, for his late seasonable Vindication of the Religious Society meeting at St Katherines.

2. Agreed, That Mr Serjt Hooke be desired to speak to the Judges, about disposing the Societies Papers designed for the Use of the Condemned Criminals.

3. The Secretary laid before the Society a Form of a General Subscription to the Charity Schools, which was Read, & (with some Amendments) approv'd.

4. Mr Leate Reported that the Subscription to the School at St Katherines, is now rais'd to [illegible] £ p ann. & a Schoolmaster Chosen.

5. A Debate Arising about the Payment of part of the Debt due to Dr Bray;

6. Resolv'd that upon the Account of the Smallness of the Number of the Members here Present it be ~~[illegible]~~ Referr'd to the next Meeting, & then finally determin'd.

7. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant, do send a particular Sumons for the Absent Members to Attend.

8. The Secretary Reported the Necessary Alterations to be made in the several Circular Letters, which were Agreed to by the Society.

9. A Letter Read from Mr Horton of Chaderton, wherein he promises to promote the Erection of ~~Parochial~~ Lending Libraries.

10. Order'd, that the Secretary do write him a Letter of Thanks: and to send him 200 ~~Papers~~ of the Vindication of Informers.

11. A Letter Read from Mr Shewell.

12. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Hodges Chaplain General of the Fleet; ~~and especially~~ about the Method of dispersing the Societies Books & Papers amongst the Seamen.

Monday. 1701. July. 21.

Present Dr Evans, Mr Nelson, Mr Brewster, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Trymmer, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Mr Toriano, the Governor of New-England a Correspondent, Sr William Hustler, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Sr George Wheeler,

1. Mr Skate Reports that the Subscriptions to the School at St. Catherines are now arisen to 80£ p ann.

2. Mr Brewster Reported that Mr Jolland accepts the Correspondence.

3. Agreed that the Secretaries Assistant have leave to go into the Country upon ~~extraordinary occasions~~.

4. Order'd that Mr Hodges be desired to speak to Dr Woodward to compose a small Tract for the use of the Souldiers.

5. Resolved that Dr Brays Debt be reduced to two hundred pounds, by payment of such moneys, as shall be first ~~brought~~ received ~~paid in~~ by the Treasurer.

6. Resolved that what Moneys Mr Trymmer or any other person shall advance towards reducing Dr Brays Debt to 200£, shall be repaid by this Society out of the next quarterly Subscriptions.

7. Agreed. That ~~from hence forward~~ the day of this Societies Meeting shall be Tuesday, ~~till the~~ from henceforward, till the first Tuesday in Nov and that the Secretary do notifie the same to the Absent Members.

8. A Letter Read from Mr. Gordon.

9. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Sheweb,

10 A Letter Read from Mr Wesley.

11. Order'd that the Secretary do send him # such a parcel of Papers as he shall think fit.

Tuesday. 29 July 1701

Present Dr Bray, Mr Serjt Hook, Dr Harvey, Mr Trymer, Mr Chamberlayne

Mr Serjt Hook reported that he had deliver'd the
Papers for Condemn'd Criminals to Four of the Judges
of ~~Four~~ several Circuits viz: the Ld C. J. Trevor, Mr
Justice Powel, Mr Justice Gold, & Mr Baron Hatsel, ~~and~~
~~that he will~~ who receiv'd them very kindly, & that he
will take care to disperse the remaining Papers among
the Condemn'd Criminals in the Northern and Welch
Circuits.

Then the Society upon the Acct of the Fewness of
of the Members present agreed to Adjourn till
Tuesday the 5 August.

1701. August. 5. Tuesday.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Nelson, Mr Hodges, Dr Slare, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Harvey, Mr Seaman, Mr Melmoth, Mr Neal,

1. A Letter Read from Colt. Nicholson the Governor of Virginia to Dr Bray.

2. A Letter Read from ye Revd. Mr Dan. Bret of North-Carolina to Dr Bray.

3. A Letter Read from ye Revd. Mr Wm Vesey of New-York to Dr Bray.

4. The Translation of 2 Letters Read from Mr Elias Neau.

5. Order'd, That the Secretary do write him an Answer.

6. Order'd, That 200 of each of those Papers & Books which Mr Hodges caused to be anslated into Dutch, be bought, & deliver'd to Dr Bray, for to be sent to New-York.

7. Mr Hodges Reported that the Revd. Mr Thorold accepted the Correspondence

8. Agreed that the Governor of New-England, Dr Harvey & Mr Chamberlayne [illegible] be desired to wait on the Lord Cornbury in the Name of this Society, & to desire him to promote their Christian Designs in his Province.

9. The Translation of a Letter Read from Mr Geleeu the Dean of Neufchastel in Switzerland.

10. A Letter Read from the Revd Mr Bynnes.

1701. August. 12. Tuesday

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Arch Deacon Kennett, Mr Vernon, Mr Nelson, Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Seamon

1. Mr Hodges Reported that the Revd Dr Woodward had actually begun to write ~~some~~ a practical ~~Tracts~~ Treatise for ye Use of the Souldiers.

2. Mr Shute Reported that he had been at Shipton-Mallet in Somerset-shire, and that he had found a good disposition in several of the Principal Inhabitants there for to set up a Society for Reformation of Manners, [illegible] a Charity School, ~~there~~ and a Monthly or Quarterly Sermon.

3. ~~Resolved~~ Agreed that the Revd Mr Whitehand be a Correspondent for Shipton Mallet in Somerset-shire.

4. A Letter Read from Mr Thorold to Mr Hodges.

5. A Letter Read from Mr Tatam.

6. A Letter Read from Mr Smythe of Gainsborough accepting the Correspondency.

7. A Letter Read from Mr Harris of Llantrisent.

8. A Letter ~~Read~~ from the Revd Mr Myles of Boston in New-England to Dr Bray.

9. Another Letter Read from the Vestry of Boston in N. E. to Dr Bray.

1701. August. 19. Tuesday.

Present Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Bromfield, Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne

1. Ordered that the Revd. Mr E. Killingworth be a Corresponding Member for Lilborne+ in Northamptonshire. (+ near Daventry.)

2. Agreed that Mr Hodges be desired to write to Mr Thorold at Rotterdam a short Letter of thanks.

3. A Letter Read from the Lord Bishop of Chester.

4. Order'd that the Secretary do write his Lordship a Letter of Thanks.

5. A Letter Read from the Reverend Mr Bennett Commissary of Jamaica, together with the Resolves of the Society of Clergy-men there.

6. Orderd that the said Resolves be Communicated to the Commissaries of Barbadoes & Virginia, & to Dr Todd of Cumberland.

7. Order'd That the Secretary & Dr Evans do confer with Brigadeer Selwyn Governor of ~~Virginia~~ Jamaica, and that they do communicate the said Resolves to him, with the Request of this Society that he would favor their Christian Designs.

8. Order'd that the Reverend Mr Blaire Commissary of Virginia, be a Correspond for that Colony.

9. The Translation of a French Letter Read from Mr de Beringhen, wherein he giv Notice of his sending over (in pursuance of a Resolution of this Society) 100 Accounts of Monsieur Vallon's Conversion.

10. Also, The Translation of Monsieur ~~[illegible]~~ Memorial for the Preservation and Furtherance of Religion.

11. Orderd that the said Letter with the Memorial be again read at a Fuller Meeting.

Tuesday 26. August. 1701.

Present Mr Shute. Dr Littell, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Hoare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Ludolf a Correspondent.

1. *Memorandum.* The abovenamed Gentlemen considering that they were not a Quorum of Resident Members, thought fit to adjourn to this day Sennight.

Tuesday 2. September. 1701.

Present. Dr Davies, Dr Evans, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne Mr Brewster and a Correspondent Mr Vernon.

1. *Memorandum*. The above-mention'd Gentlemen being not a Quorum, thought fit to adjourn to this day sennight.

Tuesday. 9. September. 1701.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Bromfield, Mr Chamberlayne, the Governor of New England a Correspondent. (Mr Vernon)

1. *Memorandum*. The above-mention'd Gentlemen not being a Quorum, thought fit to adjourn to this day sennight.

Tuesday. 16. September, 1701.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Mr Portman who was admitted because Recomended for a Correspondent

1. *Memorandum*, The above-mention'd Gentlemen not being a Quorum, thought fit to adjourn to this day Sennight.

Tuesday. 23. September. 1701.

Present. Dr Bennett, Mr Ibbott a Correspondent, Mr Bromfield, Mr Hodges, (Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster.)

1. *Memorandum*. The above-mention'd Gentlemen not being a Quorum, thought fit to adjourn to this day sennight

Tuesday September . 30 . 1701.

Present Mr Keith a Correspondent, (Mr Trymmer) Mr Chamberlayne, (Mr Hodges) (Mr Nelson,) Dr Evans, Mr Vernon, Dr Hare.

1 Mr Skeat Reported that the School at St Catherines for fifty Boys, was Open'd this day, about 80£ p ann being subscribed thereunto: whereof 28 are clothed.

2. The Above-named Gentlemen thought fit to Adjourn till this day sennight.

Tuesday. October . 7 . 1701.

Present. Dr Manningham, Mr Brewster, Mr Bromfield (Mr Chamberlayne)

1. **Memorandum.** The Above-named Gentlemen not being a ~~[illegible]~~ Quorum adjourned to this day sennight.

Tuesday . 14 October . 1701.

Present Mr. Shute, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Vernon, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster Mr. Bulstrode, The Governor of New-England, Mr ~~Melmoth~~ Freeman . Mr Bromfield.

1. Agreed that the 100 Accounts of Monsr Vallon's Conversion lately sent over by Monsr de Beringhen, be bound ~~in Leather,~~ at the rate of a Book.

2. Mr Bridges Reports, that a School in ~~[illegible]~~ Covent-Garden Parish for 50 Boys, is just ready to be Open'd.

3. Also, that he was Inform'd that there was lately left a Legacy of 100£ to ~~the School in~~ St Martin's Parish.

4. Mr Skeat Reported that at Aldgate Church, a quarterly Sermon being preached, there was Collected 8£ . 10s.

5. Order'd that the Absent Members be Summond to attend at ~~next~~ Meeting.

Mr Shute Reported that Dr Woodward had finished his Practical Discourse for the use of the Souldiers

7. Resolv'd that 5000 of them be printed at the charges of this Society.

8. A Letter Read from the Revd. Mr Foster of Devizes.

9. Order'd that the Secretary do return him a Letter of thanks.

10. A Letter Read from the Revd. Mr Hodges Chaplain to the Fleet.

11. Order'd that Mr Shute do return him the thanks of this Society

12 A Letter Read from the Revd Mr Smith of Kimbolton.

13. Agreed that the Reverend Mr Downes Rector of ~~[illegible]~~ Brington be an Additional Correspondent for Northamptonshire.

14. A Letter Read from Sr George Wheeler.

15. A Letter Read from the Revd. Mr Wm Johns of Stroud.

16. A Letter Read from Sr Wm Beeston Governor of Jamaica, ~~promising to remit~~ giving an account of his remitting to the Society the sum of ten pounds.

17. A Letter Read from ye Revd. Mr Arthur Bedford of Bristol, offering his thoughts for about Reviving the Hebrew Language & Rabbinical Learning in England.

18. Order'd that the Secretary do desire his Proposals.

19. A Letter Read from the Revd. Dr Todd of Cumberland

20. A Letter Read from the Lord Bp of Chester, recommending for Correspondents the Revd Mr Lancaster, & Mr Aldersey a Lay-man.

21. Resolvd that they be Correspondents for Namptwich.

22. A Letter Read from the Revd. Mr John Tatam of Sutton on ye Hill.

23. A Letter Read from ye Revd. Mr Sam. Shaw of Warrington in Lancashire, accepting the Correspondence.

24. A Letter Read from ye Revd Mr David Hart of Portsmouth.

25. A Letter Read from ye Revd. Mr Patrick Gordon.

26. A Letter Read from Mr Ludolf from Rotterdam.

27. The Translation of a Letter Read from Monsr. Ostervald of Newchâtel.

28. Order'd that ~~he~~ it be again Read at next meeting.

A Letter Read from the Revd Mr Vincent Edwards. ~~desiring 300 of ye papers against swearing~~

30 Order'd that the Secretary do return him an Answer.

31. A Letter Read from Mr Blackbourn of Lancashire. (~~send him a Packett~~)

32. A Letter Read from ye Revd. Mr Price of Wrexham.

33. A Letter Read from ye Revd. Mr Deffray of New-Romney.

34. Resolvd. that the Revd. Mr John Thomas Vicar of New Romney, be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

Tuesday. 21. October. 17[illegible].

Present, Dr Evans, Mr Shute, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Soriano, Mr Bromfield, Mr Hodges, Mr Melmoth, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Dr Harvey, Mr Bromhall a Correspondent.

1. Order'd that the Translation of Mr de Beringhen's Letter, & Mr Benoits Memorial be read at a fuller Meeting.

2. ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Jacob Courtrise was Approv'd of, and Mr Hodges to desire his Attendance.

3. Order'd that the Revd. Mr Wm Portman be an additional Correspondent for Worcester-shire.

4. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Lewis of Ackrise, concerning the Revd. Dr Thorpe.

~~Order'd that the Revd. Mr Bownes Rector of Brington be an additional Correspondent for Northamptonshire~~.

5. A Letter Read from ye Honble Mr Arch-deacon Booth.

6. The Secretary Reported that he had shewed this Letter to his Grace the Lord Arch-Bishop of Canterbury, who promised to write a Letter to the Lord Bp of Durham, and thank him for his Zeal in promoting a Reformation of Manners in the City of Durham.

7. Order'd that the Secretary do signify this to Mr Arch-deacon Booth.

8. A Letter Read from Mr Todd of Jamaica, with the Resolutions of the Society there.

9. Order'd that the Secretary do ~~return~~ write a Letter of Thanks to Mr Comissary Bennett, & Mr Todd.

10. Order'd, that Notice be given to the Members of this Society, that henceforwards, (upon Account of the shortness of the days) the Society will meet at half an hour after three a Clock.

Tuesday 28. October 1701.

[redacted] Present, The Lord Guilford, Dr Bray, Mr Nelson, Mr Vernon, Mr Serj.t Hook, Dr Bray, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Melmoth, Mr Hodges, Dr Hare, Mr Shute, Mr Comyns, Mr Toriano, Mr Curtrise, Mr Trymmer, Mr Bromhall a Correspondent, Mr Brewster,

1. Order'd that 30 Accounts of Mr Vallon's Conversion be sent to Mr Arch-D. Booth, A.D. Entwiske, & Mr Taylor of Wigan, to be dispers'd by them amongst the Popish Gentry, according to their Discretion.

2. Order'd that the Secretary do enquire whether there be A Chaplain General of the English Army.

3. The Translation of Monsr. Ostervald Letter was again Read.

4. Order'd that the Secretary do draw up an Answer, & bring it to the Society at next Meeting.

5. A Debate arising about the Debt still due to Dr Bray,

6. Resolv'd that from hence forwards the usual Subscription to the Plantations shall cease.

7. Agreed that a new Form of Subscription towards the Discharge of the said Debt be drawn up, against the next Meeting which shall always lie upon the Table.

8. Mr Gardiner Reported that at St Margarets Westminster, there is a new Order of Vestry made, whereby the Parish have assigned a Room for a Workhouse for the poor Children of that Parish

9. Order'd that the Secretary do bring to the next Meeting a List of Imperfect Minutes.

10. Mr Gardiner Reported that the Subscription for the Boys School at St Sepulchres, amounts to 120li p ann

11. Translation of Mr Scherer's letter to Mr Chamberlayne was Read,
As also

12. Translation of the Letters of Messieurs Peter Zeller, Otto Grass, & John Rodulf Wetstenius to Mr Hales.

13. Order'd that the Secretary do write Mr Scherer an Answer

Tuesday 4th November 1701.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Vernon, Mr Melmoth, Mr Ludolf a Correspondent, Dr Kennett, Dr Stare, Mr Stamp a Correspondent, the Lord Guilford, Mr Comyns, Mr Wright.

1. Order'd that Mr Stamp be an additional Lay Correspondent for Berkshire, being propos'd by Mr Shute.

2. Order'd that 25 of the Soldiers Monitors, be distributed amongst the General Officers of his Majesties Army.

3. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do prepare ~~an~~ Alteration for the Circular Letters, relating to the Propagation of the Gospel in America, and that he do bring it to the Society at next Meeting.

4. The Copie of the Letter to Mr Ostervald was read, and some Amendments order'd to be made.

5. The Form of Subscription for the Discharging the Debt due to Dr Bray, was Read, ~~and with an Amendment Approv'd.~~

6. Order'd that the farther ~~farther~~ Consideration of this Matter together with the said Form of Subscrip be referr'd to a Comittee, and they to meet at Mr Brewsters Chambers next Friday at three a Clock.

7. Order'd that Dr Bray Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth. Mr Chamberlayne, ~~&~~ Mr Hodges Mr Comyns & Dr Stare be that Comittee.

8. Resolved that ~~Mr [illegible]~~ the Share in the Mine Adventure given to this Society by Mr Ibbott, ~~for~~ promoting ~~the~~ Christian Knowledge in ye Plantations, and which is now in the Hands of Mr Hodges; be forthwith sold, and the money it produces ~~brings~~ ~~and applied accordingly~~ by the Treasurer to Dr Bray, towards the Discharging the debt due to him.

9. A Letter Read from Dr Todd.

10. Order'd that the Secretary do return him an Answer.

11. Resolved that for the better dispatch of the Affairs ~~of the Affairs~~ of this Society, one of the Resident Members be Nominated for Chairman at the Beginning of every Month: who is to oblige Himself to Attend every Meeting at the usual Hour: and in Case of any just Impediment to appoint his Deputy for that time, out of the Resident Members.

12. Resolved, that the Rt Honble the ~~Lord~~ Guilford ~~be desired to~~ be the first Chairman.

13. Agreed that the Standing Orders be Read at ~~next~~ Meeting in the first ~~[illegible]~~ place.

Tuesday. 11. November. 1701.

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Present, The Lord Guilford, Dr Bray Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Mr Shute, Mr Reynolds, Mr Seaman,

1. Resolved, That that Resolution taken by this Society at the last Meeting about choosing a new Chairman every Month; be Entred amongst the Standing Orders of this Society.

2. Resolved, That these words in the 8th Standing Order of this Society, vizt. And also for promoting Parochial Libraries in America, for the same purpose, the last of which Subscriptions is to be paid upon Admission: be vacated ~~struck out of the said Standing Order~~.

3. The Secretary produced a List of the Imperfect Minutes, which were Order'd to be consider'd at next Meeting.

4. The Secretary presented a ~~new~~ Draught of a Letter in answer to Mr. Scherer of New-châtel which was Read & Approved.

5.+ Order'd that it be sent to Mr Scherer with a Copie of his Majesties Charter for Incorporating a Society for propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

6. Order'd that Mr Vernon & Mr Chamberlayne do Distribute the 25 Soldiers ~~[illegible]~~ Monitors amongst the General Officers of his Majesties Armie.

7. Resolved that the Thanks of this Society be given to the Revd. Dr Woodward for his ~~pious~~ Care & pains in Compiling that pious Treatise.

8. Order'd that the Secretary do signifie this to the Doctor.

9. ~~[illegible]~~ Order'd that ~~the~~ a Copie of the Form of the General Subscription to Schools be delivered to Mr Trymmer

10. The Secretary Reported that the Comittee Met according to Order, and that they had Agreed to the new Form of Subscription, only striking out the word Immediately.

Also, that Dr Bray having Charged the Society with 53^{l}-7^{s}-6^{d} for procuring a G
of an Arrears of Taxes due to his Majesty from Holinshead and Addesley, which Grant
[illegible] is found to be of little ~~or~~ Benefit, he took it, and quits the Society of the

that that share in the Mine Adventure which Mr Ibbot ~~[illegible]~~ to the Society was sold to Dr Bray for 20s. 10.00d which is the Current price.

13. Order'd that the further Consideration of what remains due to Dr Bray, be referr'd ~~[illegible]~~ to a Committee to meet this day sennight at 3 a clock at Mr Serjt. Hooke's.

14. Order'd that the same Gentlemen who composed the last Committee; or any 3 of them be this Committee.

15. Order'd that the Letter to Mr Osterwald be Translated into French and sent forthwith.

Tuesday 18th. November. 1701.

Present Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Sr John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bromfield, Mr Toriano, Mr Hodges Mr Brewster, Mr Vernon, Mr Trymmer, Mr Courtris, Mr Serjt. Hooke,

1. Mr Chamberlayne Reported, that the Lord Guilford inform'd him that some extraordinary business calling him into the Country; he had desir'd him to discharge his Duty to the Society as Chairman the remaining part of the Mon

2. Order'd that that Paragraph in the Circular Letters relating to the propagatin Christian Knowledge in the Plantations, be omitted ~~for the future~~, in those Copies that ~~the~~ shall be ~~sent~~ taken of it ~~[illegible]~~ for the future; there being a Corporation established by his Majesty for that purpose.

3. Sr William Beeston and the Revd. Mr Hodges Approved.

4. Order'd that the Honble Colonel Morris be a Correspondent for East-Jersey.

5. Sr John Philipps Reported that he had lately received a Letter signed by 31 Divines & Lay-Gentlemen, some of them Correspondents with this Society, desiring his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury to Issue out his Circular Letter to the Clergy of the Diocess of St Davids (enjoyning the ~~[illegible]~~ upon all ~~[illegible]~~ ~~there being now vacant~~) ~~directing the said~~ ~~Clergy~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the Gentry to promote the Erection of Charity-Schools, the Catechising of Youth, and Family Devotion at least twice a day,

6. Also, that his Grace had been pleas'd to promise to Issue out such a Circular Letter within a Fortnight.

Order'd that the Secretary do return the Thanks of this Society ~~Sr John Philipps be desired~~ to the said Reverend & Worthy Gentlemen ~~[illegible] of this Society~~ for their pious Zeal & Care in this Affair

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8 Mr Hodges Reported that the Committee met according to Order, and finished the State of Dr Bray's Debt, which they found, including Mr Trymers 30li, Mr Bromfields 20li & half a years Interest, to amount to two hundred [illegible] which Report the Society Agreed. X

9. A Debate Arising about the Subscription to Schools in General:

10 Order'd that it be the Main Business consider'd at next Meeting.

11. Order'd That the Letters be Read at next Meeting in the first place.

Tuesday. 25 November, 1701.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Dr Harvey, Mr Trymmer, Mr Hodges, Mr Melmoth, the Rev. Mr Hodges, Dr Slare, Mr Serjt. Hooke.

1. Order'd that the Consideration of the Imperfect Minutes be deferr'd till next meeting.

2. Mr Chamberlayne Reported that Mr Vernon and he had agreed to present 15 of the Soldiers Monitors to the Earl of Marlborough by Dr Willis; and the 10 others to the Lord Cutts by Colonel Bussey in order to be communicated to the ~~[illegible]~~ Rest of the Officers of his Majesties Army.

3. Order'd that the 5000 Soldiers Monitors be lodged with the Reverend Mr Sherod at Rotterdam, till farther advice be given him touching their Distribution.

4. Mr Hodges Reported that he had lodged 300 Soldiers Monitors (whereof 50 were his own gift) by the direction of his Grace the Lord Arch-Bp. of Canterbury, with the Lord Lucas, for the Benefit of his Majesties Soldiers in the Tower.

5. A Letter Read from the Revd. Mr Frank of Cranfield.

6. Order'd, that ~~an Abstract of it be entred at the End of the Journal~~ that part of it which relates to ye School for poor Children, be copied, and the Secry

~~Order'd that the Secretary do write to~~ Mr Frank an Answer, and with the Thanks of the Society, to desire him to ~~[illegible]~~ explain his Method ~~[illegible]~~ in reference to ye work which the poor Children in ye Parish are employed in.

8. A Letter Read from the Revd. Mr Portman accepting the Correspondence.

9. A Letter Read from the Revd. Mr Vincent Edwards of Alnwick.

10. Order'd that the Secretary do write him an Answer.

A Letter Read from the Revd. Mr Killingworth, concerning two Papers of his which he [illegible] Printed.

12. rd that one of them be refer'd to the Consideration of the Revd. Mr Hodges, and the other to Mr Shute; who are desir'd to give their Opinion concerning them.

13. A Letter Read from Mr A. D. Boothe.

14. Order'd that Copies of those letters from Mr Hales, which he wants, be communicated to him.

15. A Letter Read from Mr Smythe of Gainsborough. (a Packet)

16. A Letter Read from Mr Byrnes of Cheadle. (a Packet)

17. A Letter Read from Mr Shaw of Warrington. ———— (a Packet)

18. Resolv'd that this Society will ~~engage~~ engage in no new ~~considerable~~ Expenses that shall be Considerable, till their ~~present Engagements~~ Debts be discharg'd.

19. Agreed that the Reverend Mr Franke be desired to draw up a new Account of the Designs and Proceedings of this Society.

20. Order'd that the Secretary do draw up a Preamble for the Trustees to Sign, who are to take care of the General Subscriptions to Schools, and that he do lay it before the Society at next Meeting.

21. The Agents were desired to lay before the Society a Scheme or Method of the Management of the Trust of Charity Schools in General.

Tuesday. [illegible] 2. December. 1701.

Present. Dr Bray, Dr Kennett, Sr John Philipps, Mr Serjt Hooke, Dr Harvey, Mr Hodges, Mr Shute, Mr Trymmer, Mr Vernon, Mr Chamberlayne, ~~Revd Mr Hodg~~ Dr ~~Har.~~ Lord Bp. of Chichester, Mr Nelson.

1. The Reverend Mr Stubbes Approv'd.

~~Order'd that the Absent Members be summon'd to attend at next Meeting.~~

2. Resolv'd that instead of the 5000 Soldiers Monitors design'd by this Society to be sent to Rotterdam for the use of the English Army in Holland, there be sent over 3000 Soldiers Monitors, and 3000 of the Pastoral Letters.

3. Order'd that an Extract be made out of the Journal of this Society, ~~concerning~~ wherein may be seen at one View, ~~how~~ in what manner this Society has disposed of the several Sums rais'd by them.

4. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do lay such an Extract before the Society at next Meeting.

5. Mr Hales Reported that at St. ~~Anns~~ Battolf Aldersgate, there is 25l p ann subscribed ~~for a~~ towards a School for Boys.

6. The Imperfect Minutes being taken into Consideration according to Order,

7. Order'd, that Mr Serjt Hooke do acquaint ~~the~~ Mr Martin that he is chosen a Member of this Society.

8. Also that the Secretary do acquaint Mr Railton of his being chosen a Member.

9. Agreed that Dr Woodward be understood to be a Correspondent Member of this Society.

10. ~~Order~~ Agreed, that Dr Lucas be excused his Attendance, by reason of his great Avocations and want of sight.

11. Order'd that Mr Serjt Hooke & Mr Hodges be desir'd to acquaint Dr Cox with his being chosen a Member of this Society.

12. Agreed that Dr Knight be understood to be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

13. Order'd that a List of the Correspondents be laid before the Society at next Meeting.

14. Order'd that the Revd Mr Hodges be desir'd to bring to the next Meeting a large Map of England.

15. Resolved that the farther Consideration of the Imperfect Minutes be adjourned to the next Meeting.

16. Resolv'd that during the Winter Season, this Society will meet here on Mundays, at half an hour past 3 a clock.

17. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do give notice of this Alteration to the Absent Members.

18. Mr Killingworth's ~~to~~ papers having been perused;

19. Order'd that the Secretary do write him a Letter of Thanks, and acquaint him that there have been already publish'd many excellent Treatises upon the same Subject. which makes there not so necessary to carry on the Designs of this Society.

20 Order'd that 50 Seamans Monitors, 100 pastoral Letters, 100 Christians Dayly Devotion, 100 Papers against Swearing & Drunkenness, be sent to Mr Vernon, for the use of the Seamen in the Mary Galley.

21. The Preamble for the Trustees to the General Subscriptions to Charity Schools was Read, and with some Amendments Approv'd.

22. A Letter Read from Mr Frank.

23. Order'd that all the Papers he wants be sent to him.

24. A Letter Read from Mr Lewis of Aekryss.

25. A Letter read from Mr Bedford of Bristol, in which was enclosed a Specimen of the Harmony of the Oriental Languages.

26. Order'd that the Lord Bishop of Chichester be desired to answer the said Letter.

Monday. 8 December, 1701.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Stubbes, Mr Gordon a Correspondent, Sr John Philipps, Mr Hodges, Mr Trymmer, Mr ~~Serjt~~ Hooke. Revd Mr Hodges, the Lord Guilford, Mr Nelson, Mr Vernon, Dr Hare.

1. Order'd that the Secretary's Assistant have leave to go into the Countrey for 3 weeks upon extraordinary Occasions.

2. Order'd that he have leave to carry a Packet along with him.

3. William Carter of Kempston in Bedfordshire being recommended to this Society as a proper Object of their Charity & Compassion & having suffer'd very much for his Zeal in Promoting Reformation of Manners.

4. Order'd that the Treasurer do give him fourty shillings as a gift from the Society.

5. Mr Vernon Reported that he had reced the Books & Papers for the Use of the Seamen on board the Mary-Gally; and that he ~~would take~~ had taken care to have them dispers'd accordingly.

~~15 Decemb. 1701~~

~~Present, the Lord Guilford, the Dean of Chichester, Mr Shute, the Reverend Mr Hodges, Mr Stubs, Mr Serjt Hook, Mr Vernon, Mr Hodges, Mr Bromfield, Mr Loyd.~~

~~An Extract of all the Sums of Money raised by the Society at Several times was produced, but being Imperfect it was referd to the Consideration of Mr Serjt Hook & Mr Shute.~~

~~Order'd that Mr Vernon be desired to bring a list of the Forts & Garrisons in England against next Meeting in order to disperse the Remaining part of the Souldiers Monitors amongst them.~~

Monday. 15. December 1701

Present Ld Guilford, the Dean of Chichester Mr Shute, the Reverend Mr Hodges, Mr Stubs, Mr Vernon, Mr Serjt Hook, Mr Hodges, Mr Bromfield, Mr Loyd.

Mr Vernon reported that Sr John Philips having being chosen Chairman for the ensuing Month, & being obliged to go out of Town had desired him to supply his Place in his Absence.

An Extract of all the Sums raised by the Society as produced, but being imperfect it was refer'd the Consideration of Mr Serjt Hook & Mr Shute.

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Orderd that the Consideration of the List of the Correspondents be refer'd to Mr Serjt Hook, Dr Bray Mr Melmouth & Mr Brewster or any two of them & that they report their opinion thereof as soon as hey can conveniently.

The Agents for Schools presented their Scheme or Proposals for the Raising & managing of Charitable ntributions to Schools in general which were read

Orderd that the further Consideration thereof be adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

Orderd that the Consideration of the Imperfect Minutes be farther adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

Mr Loyd read part of a Letter from Mr Portman one of the Correspondents for Worcestershire acquainting him that he had lately erected a Religious Society in his Neighborhood & desired a few of the Societies books & Papers to be dispersed among them.

Order'd that the Treasurer do send to the said Mr Portman a few of those Papers at Discretion.

Mr Vernon moved the Society for a few Papers to be distributed among the Poor Prisoners of the Marshalsea

Order'd that one hunder'd of the little Tracts call'd the Christians Way to Heaven be deliver'd to Mr Vernon on the said Account.

Mr Shute reports that he has sent away to Holland according to the order of the Society the 3000 souldiers Monitors & other Papers.

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Monday. 22 Decemb. 1701

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Present Sr John Philips, Mr Nelson, Serjt Hook, Mr Gordon, Mr Keith, Correspondents) Dr Bray, Mr Hodges, Mr Stubbs, Mr Trimer, the Dean of Chichester, Sr Humphry Mackworth, Mr Shute, Mr Bromfield, Mr Melmouth, Mr Vernon & Mr Loyd

Sr John Philips in the Chair.

Mr Hodges laid before the Society the Translation of the Seaman & Souldiers Monitor into low Dutch

2 Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr de Berin-ghen the Correspondent at the Hague & Recomend the Printing & dispersing of them amongst the Dutch Seamen & Souldiers.

3. Orderd that Mr Frank Mr Hodges, Mr Comins & the Secretary be added to the Comittee that are to consider of the Correspondence.

The Debate concerning the General Subscriptions to Schools being Resumed,

~~Resolved that the~~ And the Agents Proposals ~~relating to General~~ Concerning the said Sub-scriptions ~~to Schools~~ ~~were~~ being again read

Agreed that No Person ~~who is not now, or shall not~~ be a Trustee to the General Subscriptions for Schools unless he now be, or shall be hereafter a Residing or Corresponding Member of this Society.

Orderd that the Agents Proposals be amended pursuant to the aforesaid Resolution.

A letter from the Ld Bp of Chichester to Mr Wanley concerning Mr Bedfords letter was read,

Orderd that Mr Wanley do make use of it in answer to Mr Bed

Mr Hales's Letter from St Gall being laid before the Society,

Order'd that the said Letter be read at the next Meeting after the Reading of the first days Minutes.

Monday. 29 Decemb. 1701.

Present Sr Williā Hustler, Dr Bray, Mr Shute Mr Frank, the reverend Mr Hodges, Mr Gordon Correspondent, Mr Com̄ins, Mr Cotton, Mr Trimer Sr John Philips, Mr Sergt Hook, Mr Stubbs. Coll. Colchester

Sr John Philips in the Chair.

Mr Serjt Hook presented the Extract of all the sums disburst by the Society as corrected by himself & Mr Shute.

Order'd that the sd Paper be farther refer'd to Dr Bray.

The Consideration of the Imperfect Minutes being Resumed,

Order'd that the Secretary do write to Sr Richard Bulkeley abt the 20li per annū which he promist in a letter to Dr Bray to Appropriat to the Promoting of Christian Knowledge in the Plantations

Order'd that the Secretary do bring to the next Meeting the Scheme for the Regulations of the Abuses in Prisons.

Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do enter ~~all~~ an Acct of all Gifts to the Society into the Treasurers Book.

Order'd that the Consideration of a Correspon-dent for Cambridgeshire be refer'd to the Comittee for the Correspondences.

Order'd that the farther Consideration of ye Imperfect Minutes be ~~refer'd~~ adjourn'd to next Meeting.

9. Mr Hales's letter of the 26. Novemb. from St Gall was Read.

10. Order'd that the Secretary cause to be Transcrib'd those Passages out of the said letter relating to the Lord Bishop of London against tomorrow morning.

11. Order'd that the Lds the Bps that are Members of this Society together with the Ld Guilford & Mr Comyns be desired to communicate to the Ld Bp of London the sd Transcripts, if they shall think Convenient.

Agreed that Mr William Brockman of Beach borough near Hythe be a Lay Correspondent for that Part of Kent, being proposed by Mr Shute.

Agreed that Mr Vernon be the Chairman of the Society for the Ensuing Month.

Monday. 5. Jan. 170½

Present Mr Vernon, Dr Manningham, Dr Bray
Mr Shute, Mr Stubbs, Mr Serjt Hook, Mr Hodges
Mr Trimer Archdeacon Kennet, Coll. Colchester
Mr Frank Dr Jephcot a Correspondent, Dr Slare.

Mr Vernon in the Chair.

1. Mr Benoit's Memorial for Promoting Religion being Read,

2. Order'd that the Secretary do acquaint Mr De Beringhen that the Society very much approves of the said Memorial, & desires to receive a farther Account of their Success in that matter.

3. A Memorial relating to the setting up a School in the Village of East Hagborn in Barkshire was presented by Dr Manningham and read.

Resolved that a Sum not exceeding Two Pounds be allow'd by this Society towards the raising the said School, for one year only.

An Account of the Estate of Mr William Malthus Citiz of London lately deceased, amounting to about ten thousand pounds and given to the Poor Inhabitants of the Village of Blewberry in Barkshire, & of ye Distribution of the same by the Ld Bp of Sarum was read,

And the Reverend Mr Acres Minister of Blewberry attending gave a farther Account of the said Charity and of the State of the Villages of Blewberry & Hagburn.

The Agents for Schools attending
And their Proposals relating to Schools in general
being again read,
As also the Form of Subscription for the Trustees
And a long Debate arising thereupon,

Order'd that this matter be referr'd to a Comittee

Order'd that Coll. Colchester, Mr Frank, Dr Bray
Mr Serjt Hook, Mr Stubs, Mr Trimer, Mr Hodges
Mr Shute, Mr Comyns, Mr Seaman, Mr Melmonth
or any three of them be the said Comittee.

Order'd that the said Comittee do meet on Thursday
next at 4 of the Clock at this place.

Monday. 12 Jan. 1701

Present Mr Vernon, Dr Willis Dean of Lincoln,
Mr Serjt Hook, Mr Frank, Mr Stubbs, Mr Hodges
Dr Bray, Mr Loyd, Mr Nevil, Sr John Philips, Coll:
Colchester, Mr Shute

Mr Vernon in the Chair.

The Scheme for the Regulations of Prisons was Read,
Orderd that the Consideration of the Abuses of the
Prisons be adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

Orderd that Mr Stubs do bring to the next Meeting
a Copy of Dr Whites Will relating to Prisons.

Order'd that a Comittee be appointed to visit the
Appartments of the Prisoners in Newgate.

5. Order'd that Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs Mr Frank & Mr Hodges or any two of them be that Comittee, & that they make their Visitation next Saturday morning and Report the same at the next Meeting.

6. Order'd that the Comittee for Correspondence do meet at this place on Saturday next at three in the Afternoon.

7. Order'd that the the Consideration of the Imperfect Minutes be adjourn'd to this day Fortnight.

8. Order'd that the Members of this Society that are Members of Parliament be desired to attend at the next meeting upon the Account of the Consideration of the Abuses in Prisons.

9. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do prepare a Copy of Mr Hales's last letter.

10. A Draught of a Second Acct of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge was read

11. orderd that a Comittee be appointed to Peruse & finish the said Account.

12. Order'd that Mr Serjt Hook, Sr Humphry Mackworth Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster, Dr Bray or any two of them be the sd Comittee, & that they meet at their own Convenience.

Order'd that Mr Francis Windham of Clouerwall near Covert be an Additional Lay Correspondent for Glocestershire, being recomended by Coll. Colchester.

Order'd that Mr Wm Samuel Juice Rector of Birch-morton be an Additional Correspondent for Worcestershire being recomended by Mr Frank.

The Report of the Comittee for Schools was read, as also a New Form of Subscription, and both were agreed to, and

16. Order'd that a Copy of the said Form of Subscription be deliver'd to the Agents for Schools.

Order'd that all the Members of this Society that ive within the Walls of the City be desired to give heir Advice & Assistance to the Agents in Promoting he said Subscriptions.

8. Mr Michel reports that there were two sermons preacht yesterday at St Margts Westminster by the Dean of Chichester & Dr Birch upon the Subject of Charity chools, & that abt 40ll was collected at the Church loors upon that occasion.

Orderd that the Secretary do prepare a new List f all the Members of this Society in order to Form hem into Select Comittees.

Mr Vernon presented a list of all the Garrisons in ngland amounting to 49 Troops & Companies

Order'd that the said List be refer'd to Mr Shute in rder to Proportion the Distribution of the Souldiers Monitor & other books among them.

A Letter read from Archdeacon Boothe desiring the Society to prepare an Adress to be presented to the Bench of Justices at Durham against ye next Sessions.

Order'd that it be refer'd to Mr Serjt Hook to draw up such an Adress as is desired.

Monday. 19. January 1701/2

Present Mr Shute, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Melmoth, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Dr Bray, Mr Frank, Dr Hutchinson a Correspondent, Mr Stubbs, Mr Gerard, Mr Bromfield, Dr Jephcott a Correspondent, Mr Seaman, Dr Hare.

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, during the absence of Mr Vernon.

1. Mr Gerard Approv'd, and Mr Hodges to desire his Attendance.

2. Order'd that the Revd Mr Acres be a Correspondent for Blewbury in Berkshire ~~being recommended~~ being recommended by Mr Chamberlayne.

3. Order'd that for the future, upon the Appointing any Committee, those who are nominated to be of ~~any~~ that Committee, be apprized in writing of the Occasion, Time and place of their Meeting.

4. Mr Chamberlayne Acquainted the Society, that the King having nominated Mr Vernon his Envoy Extraordinary to the Court of Denmark, he had desired to continue his Subscription to the Society, and to ~~be looked upon as a Correspondent.~~ maintain a Correspondence with the same.

5. Order'd that Dr Bray & Mr Chamberlayne do return him the Thanks of this Society for his ~~Honorable Intentions~~ Generous Offer, and also for his intended Kindness to Mr Hales their Correspondent.

6. Resolved that ~~it be a Standing Order in this Society that~~ each new Member at his Admission do subscribe towards the Payment of the Debt due to Dr Bray, till the said Debt be entirely sunk & paid off.

7. Order'd that this Resolution be Entred among the Standing Orders of this Society.

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8. Resolved. that for the ~~better~~ easier dispatch of the affairs of this Society, a Messenger be entertained, at a Salary not exceeding ten pounds per Ann

9. Order'd that William Carter of Kempston in Bedfordshire be ~~the~~ that first Messenger.

10. An Extract out of Dr Whites Will, Relating to the Prisoners in Newgate was Read.

11. Dr Bray & Mr Shute Reported from the Committee Appointed to Visit the Appartments of the Prisoners in Newgate, that they had been there, and View'd many of the said Apartments; and would go thither again for the same purpose, on Wednesday next.

12. Also. that being Affected with the Sight of so many miserable objects of Pity, they had thought fit to distribute some Moneys amongst them, as also to the Serva

13. Order'd that the said Comittee be allow'd their Charges, as as much ~~mone~~ money to be distributed amongst the poor Prisoners, &c. at their next Visitation, as will am to 40s, besides such ~~other~~ Books & Papers of this Society, as they shall judge proper.

14. Order'd that the Revd Mr Lorrain Ordinary of Newgate, be a Correspondent with this Society, being recomended by the abovewritten Gentlemen.

15. Mr Serjt Hooke Reported from the Comittee for Correspondencies, that they had made some progress in that matter, & desir'd to meet again at this place on Friday next at three a clock:

16. Mr Shute presented a ~~List~~ Scheme of the Numbers of Books & Papers necessary to supply the Souldiers & Officers in the English Garrisons:

17. Order'd ~~that a sum not exceeding 7l~~ that 639 Soldiers Monitors, together with a sum not exceeding seven pounds, be allow'd him for this purpose:

18. Agreed that the manner of distributing the Books & Papers, be referr'd to the Comittee for Correspondencies.

9. A Letter Read from the Revd Mr Shaw

20. A Letter Read from Mr John Stamp, in which was enclosed a Draught of a new Act for Suppressing Vice & Immorality.

21. Order'd that it be referr'd to the Consideration of the Society for Reformation of Manners; and that Mr Stamp be advertiz'd thereof.

22. A Letter Read from Mr A. D. Entwistle

23. Order'd that the Secretary do write him an Answer, and that he do transmit him a Dozen Addresses to those of the Romish Comunion.

24. Mr Serjt. Hooke presented a Proposal About Schools.

25. Order'd that it be Read at next Meeting.

Monday. 26 January 1701/2

Present Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Trymmer, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Dr Willis, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Gerard, Mr Melmoth, Mr Nevill, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Wm Hodges, Mr A.D. Kennett, Mr Frank, Mr Lloyd, Lord Guilford,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, during the Absence of Mr Vern

1. Order'd that the farther Consideration of the Imperfect Minutes be ~~post-poned~~ referr'd to the next Meeting.

2. Order'd that it be an Instruction to the Comittee appointed to peruse the new Account of this Society, that they do take care that Notice be taken of the ~~Charities of this Soci~~ Books & Papers distributed amongst the Prisoners in Newgate, ~~&~~ and in the several Circuits.

3. Mr Chamberlayne presented the List of the Resident Memb

4. Order'd that the Secretaries Assistant do compleat it, and bring 2 or 3 Copies of it to the next Meeting.

5. Agreed that the Messenger to this Society, have an Order signed by the ~~Chairman~~ Secretary and Treasurer, to receive the Quarterly Subscriptions from the Residing Members as they become due.

6. Order'd that the Committee for Prisons be desir'd to meet together, and put down their Thoughts in Writing, concerning the Abuses of Prisons, and their Remedies, and that they do ~~lay~~ Report the same, together with an account of their Visitation at the next Meeting.

7. Order'd that 20s be allow'd the Prison at White-chappel, in Money & Boo to be distributed by ~~the~~ their Treasurer according to his Discretion.

8. Mr Serjt Hooke Reported that he had acquainted the Society for Reformat of Manners with the desires of Mr A.D. Boothe concerning an Address to Present to the Justices of the Peace: and that they would take Care of it.

9. Mr Shutes List was again Read, and the Society Agreed by what Hands to disperse their Books & Papers amongst the Soldiers in the English Garrison

Oderd that Mr Vernon be desired to procure a List containing the

of ~~the~~ Officers & Soldiers in his Maties Horse & Foot guards, and that it be laid before the Society at next Meeting.

~~The New Account of this Society was Read~~

11. Dr Bray reported that the Comittee had perused the New Account of this Society, and ~~with~~ some Corrections, did approve of it.

12. Order'd that ye said Account, after that the Clause relating to Prisons be inserted into it, be forthwith Printed.

13. Agreed that the Number to be Printed, be ~~two~~ three thousand.

14. A Letter from ye Reverend Mr Cleveland to Mr Lloyd.

15. Order'd that he be a Correspondent for Dudley in Staffordshire, being recomended by Mr Lloyd.

16. Order'd that the Lord Bishop of Worcester, upon the Account of his Lordships gre Subscription to the Corporation, as also ~~upon the Account~~ of the great Numbers of books continually distributed ~~by his Lordship~~ in his Diocess, be allow'd to dispose of ten pounds ~~of books~~ yearly, in the Societies Books (being part of his Subscription) ~~in the Societies books~~ according as his Lordship shall think fit.

17. The form of Subscription was brought in by the Agents for Schools, and Read.

18. Order'd that ~~Mr Serjt Hooke~~ the Proposals about Schools, and the other Letters that remain un-read: be deferr'd till the next Meeting; and read imediately after the first Reading of the Minutes.

Monday. 2 February 1701/2.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Wm Hodges, Mr Brewster, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr John Hodges, Mr Trymmer, Mr Lorrain a Correspondent, Mr Mr Ludolf a Correspondent, Mr Vernon, Mr Shebbes, ~~Mr Serjt Hooke~~.

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Mr Vernon in the Chair.

1. A Proposal was Read, concerning the Education & Employing Poor Children

2. Order'd that Mr Serjt Hooke do lay it before those Gentlemen appointed by House of Commons as a Committee, to inspect the Laws relating to the Poo

3. A Letter read from Mr Taylor of Wigan [illegible]

4. ~~Order'd that~~ Dr Bray, Mr Shute & Mr Chamberlayne do give the Thanks of the Society to the Lord Bishop of Chester for his great Care & Pains in promoting the Designs of this Society in his Diocese; and that they do desire his Lordship to print ~~that~~ his late excellent Sermon & Visitation Charge ~~preached by his Lordship at his late Visitation~~, or that he would permit this Society to do it at their own Charges.

5. Order'd that that part of Mr Taylor's Letter relating to Lending Libraries be referr'd to a Committee: and that it be an Instruction to that Committee to consider of Dr Brays Proposals for Sinking the Debt due to him; and to ~~[illegible]~~ receive some other Proposals from him, for the more effectual Promoting of Lending Libraries.

6. Order'd that Dr Bray, Mr Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Wm Hodges, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, or any three of them be that Comittee: and that they do meet at Mr Brewsters Chambers next Friday at 8 a clock.

7. A Letter Read from Mr A. D. Booth, together with the Presentment of the Grand Inquest of Durham at the last Sessions there.

8. Order'd that it be referr'd to the above mention'd Committee, to make an extract out of it, to be Inserted in the public Prints.

9. Order'd that a Copie of it be presented to the Society for Reformation of Manners.

10. A Letter Read from Mr Griffyth.

11. Order'd that the Secretary do write him an Answer.

12. A Letter Read from Sir Richard Bulkeley

10. Order'd that a Specimen of all the Papers of this Society, be deliver'd to Mr Vernon, to carry with him beyond the Seas.

14. Agreed, that the Matter of the Correspondence be referr'd to the Above mention'd Comittee.

15. Dr Bray presented a Memorial relating to the Quakers.

16. Order'd that it be Read at next Meeting when Mr Buggs Proposals are Read.

17. Resolv'd that for the future, the Day of the Societies Meeting be Thursday at 4 a clock, during this Sessions of Parliament. And that the Messenger do Certifie the Absent Members thereof.

18. A Decree in Chancery was made for the ~~Recovery~~ Payment of 80l to Mr Edward

19. Order'd that Mr George Brewster be allow'd the Charges he has been [redacted] in pursuing this Affair and that he be desir'd to subjt this matter with all Expedition.

20. Dr Bray ~~and a [illegible]~~ presented a Paper (from the Comittee appointed to Visit the Prison of Newgate) containing some Proposals concerning the better Regulating the same, &c. which were Read, & Approv'd.

21. Order'd that these Proposals with the Scheme mention'd in the Minutes of January 12. be refer'd to the Consideration of those Gentlemen of this Society who are Members of Parliament.

22. Orderd, that 4 Bibles with the ~~Com~~ Service & Singing Psalms, be given to the Prison of New-Gate, one to each Comon Room.

23. Orderd that Mr Lorrain & Mr Hodges ~~to~~ take care to see this done, and that they have power to buy any other book that they shall think necessary.

24. Agreed that Sr Humfrey Mackworth be the Chairman for the ensuing month: and that the next Meeting be on Thursday come fortnight

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Thursday. February. 12. 1701/2.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Wm Hodges; Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Hodges, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Hutchinson a Correspondent, Dr Nichols a Correspondent, Mr Brewster, Mr Trymmer, Mr Nelson, Dr Slare, Mr Bynns a Correspondent. ~~Mr Serj. Hook~~ Mr Comyns, Lord Guilford, Mr Lorrain, Mr Griffin a Correspondent; Mr Lloyd, Mr Shute.

Sr Humfrey Mackworth in the Chair.

1. Order'd, that the farther Consideration of the Report touching the Imperfect Minutes, be refer'd to the next Meeting.

2. [redacted] A Motion being made for the Society to send some of their Books to the several Assizes:

3. Order'd that the farther Consideration of this Matter be refer'd to a Comittee, and they to meet at Mr Brewsters next Tuesday at 4 a clock:

Order'd, that Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Shebs, Mr Wm Hodges, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmoth, Mr Seaman, Mr Chamberlayne Mr John Hodges, or any three of them be that Comittee: and that they do make their Report at next Meeting.

5. Dr Bray's Proposals ~~being~~ relating to Lending Libraries being Read:

Order'd that they be consider'd by the last-named Comittee.

6. An Extract out of A. D. Booth's Letter, & the Presentments of the Grand Jury at Durham, was Read.

7. Order'd that the Secretary & his Assistant do consider it, and take Care to have it inserted into the Publick Prints.

8. Mr Francis Bugg being Call'd in, gave the Society a large Account of the pressing Necessity there is at this juncture, of dispersing amongst the Quakers, divers Treatises, in order to their ~~Christian~~ better Instruction, ~~divers Treatises~~, especially those that follow; vizt.

9. The Sleeford Conference. (not yet printed.)

10. Vox Populi.

11. George Fox's Will

12. Mr Keith's Broad Sheet.

13. And promis'd that if he had a fitting Number of these books ~~deliver'd~~ entrusted to ~~them~~ him he will be Responsible & bound to the Society, to reimburse them, either in money or by the remainder of the Books.

14. Resolv'd that this Society will give Mr Bugg Credit with their Printer & Stationer, for a sum not exceeding £ 26. s 10. d 00; to the purpose abovemention'd.

15. Agreed, that this Society will take off 100 Copies of Mr Buggs Pilgrims Progress at 2d a book.

16. Order'd that the Treasurer do buy a Bible, & 6 of Mr Kettlewell's Offices for Prisoners, for the Use of White-chappel Prison.

17. Desir'd, that the Comittee do read & draw up answers to those Letters that [illegible]
Order'd

Thursday 19. February 1701/2.

Present Dr Manningham, Dr Mecken, Mr Shute, Mr Shebs, Dr Davis & Mr Wootton Correspondents, Mr Chamberlayne; the Lord Guilford, Dr Bray, the Dean of Chichester, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Griffith a Correspondent, Dr Nichols & Mr Lo Correspondents.

Dr Manningham in the Chair, during Sr Humfrey Mackworth's

Mr Shute Reported that he had paid Mr George Brewster 13li for his Charges in Solliciting the late Benefaction of Mr Stevens.

2. The Translation of a French Letter from Monsr de Beringhen was Read.

3. Order'd that it be referr'd to the last-mention'd Comittee; and that they do meet at Mr Brewsters next Tuesday at 4 a clock.

4. Order'd that they be all sumon'd to meet there.

5. Order'd that the business before comitted to them, be then Consider'd.

6. Mr Bugg was call'd in, &

7. The Lord Guilford laid before the Society a Copie of the Petition of Mary Ely, Susanna Everard, & Sarah Pike Widdows, to the Honble House of Lords, against the Bill for Continueing the late Act for Accepting the Quakers Solemn Affirmation, instead of an Oath in the usual Form.

8. The Lord Guilford ~~did also~~ Moved that the Society would appoint a Comittee to ~~meet at his Lordships house, & there to~~ examine the abovenamed Petitioners, touching their Proofs of ~~the~~ what they affirm in their Petition.

9. His Lordship did also Move, that in case their Proofs should be allow'd by that Comittee; that this Society would allow the Petitioners wherewithall to fee two Councillors to Plead in their behalf, at the Bar of the Honorable House of Lords.

10. Order'd that a Committee do meet about this Matter, at Heaven near Westmr Hall, to morrow at 12 a clock; and afterwards at Mr Brewsters by 4 a clock.

11. Order'd that my Lord Guilford, Dr Bray, Mr Keith, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, or any 3 of them be that Committee.

12. Order'd that the Thanks of this Society be return'd to his Lordship for his great ~~Care~~ Piety & Zeal shewed in this Affair.

13. The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

14. Mr Bridges laid before the Society a Proposal, concerning a General Subscription to Charity Schools; which was Read, and when amended in some little Matters, Approv'd.

15. Mr Dean of Chichester Reported that they was almost ready to open in his Parish two new Schools, one for 50 Boys & the other for 50 Girls.

Thursday 26 February 1701/2.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Hodges, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Nelson
Mr Neville, Mr Serj: Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Stubs, Mr Thorold a Correspondent, Mr
Brewster, Dr. Bray.

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, deputed by Sr Humfrey Mackworth.

1. Order'd that the Consideration of the Report touching the Imperfect Minutes be refer'd to the next Meeting.

2. A Letter Read from Mr Ostervald to ~~Mr~~ Mr Masson:

3. Order'd that Dr Bray ~~&~~ Mr Chamberlayne do wait on the Lord Bp of London and do desire his Lordship to acquaint ~~Mr~~ Doctor Zeller the Antistes of Zurich with the Religious Designs of this Society.

4. Mr Chamberlayne said that he had ~~some~~ something of importance to communicate to the Society, which he desired might be at a fuller Meeting,

5. Order'd that all the Absent Members be summoned to attend at next Meeting.

6. Order'd that Dr Kennett & Dr Woodward be desired to draw up Answers to Monsr de Beringhen's last Letters.

7. Mr Chamberlayne Reported that the Committee was of opinion that a Pacquet should be forthwith sent to each County Gaol in England, in each which should be put

6 Kettlewell's Offices. 12 Pastoral Letters. 12 Cautions agt Swearing.
12 C. agt Drunkenness. 12 C. agt Uncleanness. 12 Observation of the Lord's
6 Christian Monitors. 6. Offices for Condemned Criminals.

8. Order'd that such a Pacquet be forthwith made up and sent immediately to each County in England: And that the Treasurer & Secretary have power to put in such others of this Society's Papers as they shall think fit.

9. A Letter from Mr A.D. Booth (with an Injunction to his Clergy therein enclosed) were Read,

10. Order'd that these be referd to the Consideration of Mr A.D. Kennett, and that h do give his Opinion thereof to the Society at next Meeting.

Thursday. 5th March. 1701/2.

Present, the Lord Bp of Worcester, the Lord Bp of Chester, Dr Bray, Mr Lloyd, Mr Chute, Mr Serjt Hook, Mr Nelson, Sr J. Philipps, the Ld Guilford, Colonel Colchester, Mr Cotton, Mr Bulstrode, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Tryonmer, Mr Ludolph a Correspondent, Mr Wrighte, Dr Littell, the Dean of Lincoln, Mr Lorrain a Correspondent, Mr ~~Dean of Chichester~~ Mr Neville, Mr Melmoth, Mr ~~Coutry~~ Gerard. Mr Gordon a Correspondent.

Sr Humfrey Mackworth ~~The Lord Bp of Worcester~~ in the Chair.

Lay. Order'd that Mr Gardiner be a Corresponding Member for Evesham, being recommended by the Lord Bp of Worcester.

2. A Letter was Read from Mr Chamberlayne, ~~acqu~~ desiring to be excus'd from attending the service of the Society as their Secretary by reason of the many different businesses which lye heavy upon him: but that he would continue his subscription as a member.

3. Resolv'd that Humfrey Wanley be the Secretary to this Society for the future

4. Resolv'd that his Salary be advanc'd to seventy pounds per annum.

5. Order'd that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Chamberlayne, for the services done by him to this Society.

6. Order'd that Mr Chamberlayne do deliver to the new Secretary, all such Books & Papers, belonging to this Society, as are now in his Custody.

7. Order'd that the Correspondents be forthwith acquainted with this new Election, that they may know how to direct their Letters aright for the future.

~~Mr Bugg was call'd in, who [illegible] laid before the Society some little~~

8. Mr Bugg was call'd in, who laid before the Society a Bill of some late Charges of his, about the three Widdows Petition, mention'd in the Minutes of the 19th ult.

9. Order'd that he be paid by the Treasurer.

The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

The form of Subscription towards the maintaining some Schools in the Poor & out-Parishes of London & Westmr was read, and

12. A Long Debate arising thereupon,

13. Order'd that this Debate be deferr'd to the next Meeting

14 Agreed that Mr Nelson be the Chairman to this Society for the ensuing Month

15 A Motion was made that this Society would disperse some Copies of the Account of the Sufferings of the Protestants on board the French Kings Gallies, amongst the Soldiers in lingua Materna Feb. 26th.

Order'd that this be one of the Books to be dispers'd accordingly, when the Society takes the matter into their more particular consideration.

Lloyd read part of a Letter from the Reverend Mr Hodges concerning the Society of Clergy at Alcester in Worcestershire.

18. ~~Order'd that a Pacquet of books be sent to him.~~

19 The Lord Bishop of Worcester being pleased to say that he would confer with the L Bp of London about writing to Doctor Zeller of Zurich concerning the Designs of this Society:

20 Order'd that the Secretary do ~~draw~~ wait upon his Lordship with an Accoun of the Designs & Successes of this Society.

~~Order'd that~~

21 Coll Colchester Reported ~~from~~ that the small printed Papers of this Society ~~in Gloucester~~ ~~shire~~ against Swearing, &c. had done a great deal of good in Gloucestershire, and that if the Society would send some more of them thither, in all probability they would have the same good Effect:

22. Order'd that the Treasurer do send thither 100 of each of the said Papers according to the Collonel's Directions.

~~Order'd that Mr Nelson be the Chairman for the ensuing Month.~~

Thursday 12 · March ·1701/2

Present Dr Bray, Mr Stubbes, Mr Nelson, Coll Colchester, Mr Seaman, Mr Windham a Correspondent, Mr Shute, Mr Lorrain a Correspondent, Mr Bromfield, Mr Bromhall a Correspondent, Mr Lloyd, Mr Masson a Correspondent, Mr ~~H~~ Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Cotton, Dr Hare,

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

1. Order'd that the Consideration of the Report concerning the Imperfect Minutes be referr'd to the next Meeting.

2. Order'd that for the future such Pacquets as shall be given to the Prisoners in the several Gaols in this Kingdom, be directed to such Correspondents as are upon the Place; or else to those that are nearest to the Gaol.

3. Order'd that a List of such Counties & Shire Towns, wherein this Society has no Correspondents, be drawn up by the Secretary, & laid before the Society at next Meeting.

4. Order'd that Dr Bray do confer with Dr Ellis, and Mr Treasurer with Dr King ~~concerning the Number of~~ about furnishing the Soldiers in her Majesties Guards, with some of the Books & Papers of this Society; and that they do make their Report at next Meeting.

5. Mr Bugg's Introduction ~~to~~ with his Narrative of the Sleeford Conference, being laid before the Society:

6. Order'd that it with the whole Narrative be perused by Mr Keith, and he to report his Opinion at next Meeting

7. Order'd that Mr Robert Hales's Letter from St Gall, dated 26th Novemb. be sent to Mr ArchDeacon Booth; and that Mr Arch-deacon be desir'd to re-turn it back, with all convenient speed.

8. The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

9. They Propos'd a Person whom they know, to be a Sollicitor for the General Subscriptions to Schools; for whom they desire a Salary of 20l. p ann: and

10. A Debate arising thereupon,

11. Order'd that it be adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

12. A Letter Read from Mr Hales from St Gall, dated 19. Feb. 1701/2.

13. A Translation to Latin Letter Read from Mr Scherer.

14. Translation of a French Letter Read from Mr a Moos to Mr Hales.

Thursday 19 March. 1701/2.

Preſent Mr Stubbs, Mr Shute, Mr Neville, Dr Hare.

1. Memorandum, The abovenamed Gentlemen not being a Quorum thought fit to adjourn to this day Sevennight.

2. Sir Humf. Mackworth was here as Mr Nelson's Deputy, but went away after [some time, leaving Mr Nel

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Thursday 26 March. 1702.

Preſent, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Stubbs, Mr Nelson, Mr Lorrain
Correspondent. Dr Mecken, Dr Hare, Mr Lloyd,

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

1. Order'd that Mr Chamberlayne have a Copie of the Minutes of this Society ~~deliver'd~~ communicated to him Weekly, in Order to be sent to Mr Vernon, beyond the

2. Order'd that those Papers belonging to this Society, that do yet remai in Mr Chamberlaine's Custody be forthwith deliver'd by him to the Secr

3. Order'd that the Secretary do maintain a ~~[illegible]~~ strict Correspondence with M Frank of Bedfordshire, and that he do communicate to him at convenient t Copies of the Minutes, & other Letters & Papers, in Order to the better carr the business of this Society.

rder'd that the Messenger do wait on the Members, ~~and~~ [illegible] collect their subscriptions due for the last Quarter.

5. ~~The~~ Order'd that the Pacqet & other Printed Papers of this Society, be deliver'd to Mr Mecken, ~~and~~ by him sent in to Denmark, ~~where~~

6. The Secretary produced a List of those Counties & Shire-towns wh
in the Society wants ~~ff~~ Correspondents,

7. Which being Consider'd, in part,

8. Order'd that be refer'd to the next Meeting.

9. Mr Shute Reported that he had Confer'd with Mr King, who readily promised to disperse the Printed books & Papers of this Society, amongst the Souldiers in the Lord Cutts's ~~[illegible] Guards~~ Regiment of Foot-Guards.

10. Order'd that the Treasurer do deliver to Mr King, such a Number of the said books & Papers, as will be proportionable to those, allow'd by this Society to her Majesties Garrisons.

11. The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

12. Mr Bridges Reported that a School for 25 Boys Clothed, was Open'd about a Week ago in Covent-Garden Parish.

13. Agreed that this Society will allow the Person recommended by the Agen for a Sollicitor for the General Subscriptions to Schools, the sum of 5 pounds for one quarters Sollicitation, but upon Condition that he does not quit his present Employment, upon any Expectations of farther Encouragement from this Society.

Thursday 2 April 1702.

Present, Dr Bray, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Keith a Correspondent,

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

1. Mr Waddington Approv'd & Dr Manningham to desire his Attendance.

2. Order'd that when one Resident Member is wanting to make up a Quorum, the Secretary shall be taken in, ~~as~~ for that time.

3 Resolv'd that Dr Manningham be the Chairman for the ensuing month

4. The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

5. They Reported ~~a~~ that the Trustees for Clerkenwell-School had allow'd the Schoolm [illegible] in 10 Scholars, at 20s a year apiece: upon which They had visited the [illegible] they found the Scholars [illegible] Children

6. Order'd that Mr Shute do confer with Mr Blackerby & Mr Short upon th important Affair, and make a report of the Result at next Meeting.

7. Mr Keith Reported that he had perused Mr Bugg's Narrative of the Sleeford Conference with the Introduction; ~~in~~ which he found to be Moderate, Christian, and just as to the Quotations (after one of them is amended;) and that, in his Opinion, the Publication & Dispersing of ~~of~~ it will be of great use in detecting the vile Errors held by the Quakers.

Mr Keith desired [illegible]

8. Mr Bugg being call'd in,

9. The Chairman acquainted him that this Society in taking off 100 Copies of his Pilgrims Progress at 2d p book, understood ~~that~~ this 10s to be part of the 2l-10s-0 which this Society give's him Credit for with their Printer & Stationer; with which he own'd himself to be ~~ver~~ extreamly well satisfied.

10. The Secretary Reported that Mr Carte Accepts the Correspondence for Leicester, and that the Societies Books & Papers Sent to the Prisoners, have been disposed of ~~dispersed~~ according to their desires in the Gaols of Leicester, Nottingham, Coventre and Warwick.

11. The Secretary Reported that Mr Cleaveland of Dudley, Mr Johns of Stroud & Mr A.D. Booth would gladly accept of some of the Books & Papers of this Society, to disperse amongst their poor Parishioners, &c.

12. Also, that Mr Vincent Edwards desires to buy 300 Observations of the Lords Day, & 300 Cautions against Swearing.

10. Order'd that the Treasurer do supply the abovesaid Gentlemen with such Books & Papers as he shall judge to be proper; & that he do furnish Mr Vincent Edwards with the Papers he wants.

Thursday. 9 April. 1702.

Present, Dr Manningham, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Akers a Correspondent, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary: Mr Waddington, Mr Comyns, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Nelson, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Hodges, Mr Collins, Sr John Philipps, Dr Slare, Col. Colchester,

Dr Manningham in the Chair.

1. Mr Waddington was Approv'd, and did accordingly Attend.

2. Mr Collins was Approv'd and did Attend.

3. Mr Serjt Hook Reported that Application had been lately made to Mr Mecken from Sweden & Holstein, (as was before from Denmark) for some of the Books & Papers of this Society.

Order'd that the Treasurer do deliver to Mr Mecken 2 Packets, one for Sw other for Holstein.

[illegible] that Mr [illegible] be a Correspondent for Oxford

6. Order'd that Mr Bennet be a Correspondent for Colchester

7. Agreed that the Consideration of the List for supplying the Correspondents be adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

8. Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be desir'd to ~~ac~~ confer with the Lord Cutts about ~~concern~~~~ing the~~ dispersing ~~of~~ the Societies Books (now remaining at Rotterdam, in the Custody of Mr Thorold) amongst the ~~Engl~~ her Majesties Soldiers in Holland; and that he do make his Report at next Meeting.

9. Order'd that the Treasurer do send away with all convenient speed the following Books & Papers to Sr Richard Bulkeley at Dublin to disperse amongst her Majesties Soldiers in Ireland vizt

1000 Pastoral Letters
500 ~~Seamans~~ Soldiers Monitors
2000 Cautions against Swearing,
500 Cautions against Drunkenness
500 Cautions against Uncleanness

10. Mr Akers representing to the Society the great want of good Books amongst the poor people of his Parish.

11. Order'd that the Treasurer do supply him, according to his Discretion.

12 The Treasurer Report~~ing~~ that the ordinary Pacquets ~~being~~ are all sent away, and He mov'd that a Committee might be appointed to consider ~~of~~ what Books & Papers may be proper to be put into the new Packet: and to ~~inspect the present~~ revise them for that purpose.

13. Order'd that their Lordships the Bishops, the Deans of Chichester & Lincoln, Dr Bray, Dr Woodward, Mr A.D. Kennet, Mr Shute and the other Divines of this Society be that Committee.

14. Order'd that ~~this~~ the said Committee do meet at this Place every Thursday at 2 a clock precisely, and so continue their meetings till they have gone thro' this business.

15. Order'd that four pounds be distributed amongst Mr Serjt Hooks Servants, and that the same gratuity be allow'd them every Lady-day.

16. Resolv'd that if any Member of this Society shall compose any Treatise to be Printed or dispers'd by this Society: that his Copie shall be brought to & inspected by the above mention'd Committee of Divines, before it be Printed.

17. The Secretary Reported that the Societies Gift of Books & Papers came safe and are distributed according to their desires in the Gaols of Exeter & Reading.

Thursday 16 April 1702

Present the Lord Bp of Chichester, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Mr [illegible] the Secretary: Mr Wesley a Correspondent, Dr Bray, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Serj.t Hooke, Mr Bulstrode, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Dr Slare, Mr Beaman, Mr Nelson, Mr Heart a Correspondent,

Dr Manningham in the Chair,

1. The Secretary Reported (from Mr Heart) that the Societies Gift of books & Papers ~~are~~ came safe to Winchester Gaol, & are there dispos'd of according to their desire.

2. A Letter was read from Mr Chamberlayne to the ~~Chamberlayne~~ Chairman, shewing that the Governor of New-England desires some of the Societies Books & Papers to disperse amongst the poor people in his Province; and that he would keep a Constant & Regular Correspondence with the Society.

3. Order'd that the Treasurer do send to the Governor such a Parcel of Books & Papers as he shall judge to be proper & sufficient.

4. A Letter was Read from Mr A. D. Entwistle, together with the Orders of the Society Clergy at Warrington.

5. Order'd that the Secretary do write him an Answer.

6. ~~The~~ Agents of Schools being call'd in

7. Mr Shute reported that the Subscription to the School at St ~~Buttolphs~~ Annes Aldersgate does now amount to 40l a year,

8. Mr Gardiner Reported that he had lately been at Epsom, where he found a great likelyhood of Erecting a School there, upon the ~~Fund~~ Foundation of 300l Lately bequeathed for that purpose, and with which is purchased 15l p ann

9. A Letter Read from Mr Thomlinson of New-Castle, Also Translations of some Latin & French Letters from Switzerland.

10. Order'd that the Secretary do send an Answer of thanks to Mr Thomlinson, and that he do draw up an Answer to Mr Scherer, & lay it before the Society at next meeting.

11. Mr Wesley's Account of the Religious ~~Groups~~ Society at Epworth, was Read; for which the Society gave him their Thanks.

12. Order'd that the fair Copie of Mr Hales's Letter dated Nov. 26. 1701. be deliver'd to Dr Bray, in Order to be comunicated to the Lady Katherine Jones: and that the Letter be brought back within 3 weeks.

Thursday. 23 April 1702.

This being the Day of her Majesties Coronation, there was no Meeting.

Thursday 2[illegible] April 1702

Present, Dr Manningham, Mr A.D. Kennett, Mr Waddington, Mr Brewster, the Secretary: Mr Shute, Mr King, Sr Edm. Turner, Mr Wm Hodges, Dr Nicholls, Mr J. Hodges, Mr Bedford a Correspondent. Mr Wesley a Correspondent, Mr Stubbes.

Dr Manningham in the Chair.

1. The Secretary Reported that Mr Bennet of Colchester, & Mr Bull of Oxford have accepted the Correspondence.

2. Agreed that the Consideration of the List for supplying the Vacancies in the Correspondence, be adjourned to the next Meeting.

3. Order'd that Mr Chamberlayne be asked the Result of his Conference with my Lord Cutts, about dispersing the Societies Books & Papers amongst Her Majesties Soldiers in Holland.

4. The Secretary Reported that the Societies Books & Papers came safe, and are dispersed according to their desires in the Gaols at York.

5. Order'd that Mr Shute be the Chairman for the ensuing Month.

6. The Secretary brought a draught of a Letter to Mr Scherer, which was read, a he was Order'd to add another Paragraph to it about the death of the Late King, &c. & bring it again to the Next Meeting.

7. A Letter was Read from one Mr Robert Hannay, recomending himsel to the Charity of this Society as a great sufferer by the Quakers,

8. Order'd that the Members of this Society do enquire after this Mr Hanna

9. The Translation of a German Letter from Madam Hortensia de Salis, to Mr Hales, was Read.

10. Order'd that the Secretary do make an Extract out of it, and lay it before the Society at next Meeting.

11. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr A.D. Entwisle & to Sr Richard Bu keley, about the Books & Papers sending by this Society, to Ireland, for the use of he Majesties Soldiers there.

Thursday 7. May. 1702.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Waddington, Mr Stubbs, Mr Brewster, the Secretary: Sr John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr J. Hodges, Coll. Colchester, Sr Edm. Turner, Dr Slare, Dr Bray, Mr Bromfield, Mr Killingworth a Correspondent,

Mr Shute in the Chair. (who being obliged to go, left Sr John Philipps in his Room)

1. The Secretary Reported that the Societies Books & Papers came safe to the Gaol at Derby, & are dispos'd of there according to the Desires of the Society.

2. Order'd that Mr Wesleys Account of the Religious Society at Epworth be again Read at Next Meeting.

3. Order'd that the Secretary do ~~Writt~~ put Dr Bray in mind of Restoring the Copie of Mr Hales's Letter.

4. A Debate Arising about a gift of Books & Papers to the ~~[illegible]~~ Fleet.

5. Orderd that Mr Stubbs, Mr Wm Hodges, Mr Mecken & Mr Chamberlayne do ~~apply to~~ wait on the Arch-Bishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of London, the Lord High Admiral, Sr George Rook and what other Persons they shall think fit, and ~~know~~ desire their Opinion & Advise about furnishing the Fleet with a sufficient Number of Good & Usefull Books for the Benefit of the Seamen & Soldiers on board the same.

6. Order'd that the abovesaid Gentlemen do acquaint their Lordships with what Books & Papers have been already given to the Seamen & Soldiers ~~already~~ by this Society.

7. Order'd that the said Gentlemen do desire to know whether Her Majesty or his Royal Highness the Prince of Denmark may not be applied to for a sum sufficient to defray the Charge, of this good Work?

8. Order'd that the Treasurer do continue to make up and send away to the Correspondents the Ordinary Packets, untill the Committee of Divines shall have Ordered a new Packet to be made.

9. Mr Chamberlayne Reported that the Lord Cutts spake very affectionately & respectfully of this Society, and promis'd to take all possible Care of dispersing the Societies Books & Papers amongst her Majesties Soldiers in Holland.

10. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Thorold at Rotterdam, to send with all speed, the Societies Books in his Custody, to the Lord Cutts, to be distributed accordingly.

11. The Draught of the Letter to Mr Scherer was again read, with some Amendments Approv'd, and order'd to be sent.

12. Madam Hortensia de Salis's Account of her Life to Mr Hales was again Read, together with the Extract of

13. A Letter was Read from Mr Rob. Hales to Mr Chamberlayne.

14. Order'd that ~~a Committee of~~ all the Divines of this Society be sumon'd to meet here this day sennight at 2 a clock.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Hodges, Dr Manningham, Mr Stubbs, Sr John
Philipps, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Collins, Dr Bray, Mr Killingworth a Correspond
Mr King, Mr Bromfield, Colonel Colchester, Mr Comyns, Mr Windham,

Mr Shute in the Chair.

1. Mr Hodges was Reported that ~~that~~ if the Society determined to bestow a Gift of Books & Papers upon the Soldiers & Seamen ~~&~~ on board the Fleet, not exceeding the value of 15£. that then his Opinion was that 1500 of Mr Stubbs's Sermons, & the rest in Cautions against Swearing would be very Proper: but if they shall enlarge their Gift, it might be done in bestowing Seamens Monitors ~~upon them~~, or other useful Treatises as the Society shal think fit: together with some Church-Catechisms for the use of the ~~Boys~~ Ship-boys.

2. Agreed that the Consideration of the List for supplying the Vacancies in the Correspondence, be adjourned to the next Meeting.

3. Mr Bridges being call'd in,

4. He reported that Mr Thomas the Sollicitor to the Generall Subscriptions for Schools, is now ready to enter upon the said Business in such Method as the Society shall direct.

5. Order'd that the Revd Mr Thurmy of Merton ~~in Surrey~~ be an Additional Correspondent for Surrey, being recomended by Mr Bromfield.

6. Mr Stubbs presented from Mr Windham, a ~~MS~~ Treatise call'd An Admonition to Land Officers.

7. Order'd that Sr John Philipps do shew it to Mr Windham, and desire that ~~[illegible]~~ the Author may allow ~~[illegible]~~ the Society ~~[illegible]~~ to amend & fit it for the Press.

8. Mr Bugg being Call'd in,

9. He desired that the Society would pay the 16^{l}-10^{s}-0^{d} which the Society gives him Credit for with their ~~Bookseller~~ Printer & Stationer.

10. Mr Treasurer Reported that it would be inconvenient to the Society to pay this Money now, and desir'd that his Accounts might be Audited.

11. ~~Agreed~~ Resolved that the Treasurers Accounts be Audited here before a Comittee on this day sen-night at 2 a clock.

12. Order'd that Dr Bray, Mr Stubbes, Sr John Philipps, Mr King, Mr Melmoth, Mr Bromfield, Mr Collins, Colonel Colchester, Mr Brewster, Mr Comyns, & Mr Serjt Hooke be that Committee.

13. Mr Wesleys Account of the Religious Society at Epworth, was Again Read, according to Order.

14. Order'd that Mr Wesley be desir'd to Attend at next Meeting, about the Charity-School mentioned in his said Account.

15. The Secretary Laid before the Society a Latin Letter from Dr Klingler the Antistes of Zurich in the Name of the Churches of Zurich, Bern, Basil, Schaffhausen, Glaris, Apenzel and St Gall, in Answer to that Letter sent by this Society to the Switz Churches

16. Order'd that the ~~Secretary do carry the Letter to Dr Manningham~~ or to Dr Manningham Lord Bishop of Chichester, and that he do desire either of them to ~~[illegible]~~ the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts; and know their Sentiments whether they will think fit to Correspond with the Helvetic Churches or not.

Thursday 21 May 1702.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Shibbs, Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmoth, Mr Jno Hodges,

Mr Shute in the Chair,

1. Order'd that Dr Woodwards 2 Pieces about Confirmation, and another little Tract about Family-Prayers be added to the Ordinary Packets, which are sent to the Correspondents.

2. Resolv'd that the Treasurer do send to those Gentlemen that are in Arrears to the new Subscription for payment of the debt due to Dr Bray; in order to reimburse Mr Trymmer of that 30£ which he advanced towards it.

3. Order'd that the Secretary do write to the said Gentlemen, and send his Letter to the Treasurer.

4. Order'd that the Reverend Mr Tho. Collins of Swansey ~~be ye~~ be an Additional Correspondent for Glamorganshire; being recommended by Mr Hodges.

5. ~~Resolv'd~~ Agreed that a Sum not exceeding 15£ be laid out in good books & Papers for the use of the Seamen on board her Majesties Fleet, in the manner following.

10£ in Mr Shibs's Sermons,
4£ in Cautions against Swearing,
1£ in Church Catechisms.

6. Order'd that Mr Shibbs be desired to send this Parcel to the Revd Mr Hodges the Chaplain-General of the Fleet.

7. Order'd that the Secretary do advertise the said Mr Hodges that this Gift of the Society is now coming to him.

8. Mr Shibbs brought back the MS treatise call'd An Admonition to Parish Officers & laid it before the Society: the Author being willing to ~~leave it~~ have it Corrected.

9. Order'd that Mr Comyns do deliver it to the Society for Reformation of Manners, and do desire them to amend and fit it for the Press.

10. The Secretary Reported that there is come another Latin Letter from Dr Kling... Antistes of Zurich in the name of the Protestant Churches of Switzerland

[illegible] that the Secretary do translate this and the [illegible], and bring them to the next Meeting.

Thursday 28. May. 1702.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Stubbs, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bre-ster, Dr Hare, Dr Bray, Mr Nels.

Mr Shute in the Chair.

1. Agreed that the Consideration of the List for supplying the Vacancies in the Correspondence be Adjourned to the next Meeting.

2. Resolved that Mr Thomas the Sollicitor to the General Subscription for Schools do wait on the Resident Members of this Society; and in the Name of the Society desire them to mention his business to their Acquaintance, and promote it as far as they are able.

3. Order'd that the Secretary do deliver to Mr Thomas a Copie of this Resolution, & a List of the Resident Members of this Society.

4. Mr Windham was Approv'd, and Mr Stubbs to desire his Attendance.

5. Order'd that Mr Shute, Mr Stubbs & Mr Chamberlayne do wait on Sr George Rook, Mr Hill, &c, & confer with them about the obtaining a Sum of Money from the Prince of Denmark, wherewith towards the furnishing Her Majesties Seamen & Soldiers on board the Fleet, with good Books.

6. Order'd that the Reverend Mr Saml Peploe be a Corresponding Member for Preston in Lancashire, being recomended by Mr Serjt Hooke.

7. Order'd that Mr Stubbs be the Chairman for the ensuing Month

8. The Translation of a French Letter from Mr de Beringhen, with the Translation of ~~[illegible]~~ the Orders of a Society at Berlin was Read.

9. Order'd that the Secretary do draw up an Answer, & lay it before the Society at Meeting.

10. The Translation of a Latin Letter from Mr Scherer was Read.

11. The Translation of a Latin Letter from Mr Vith the Antistes of Schaffhausen to Mr Hales was Read.

12. The Translations of 2 Latin Letters from Dr Klingler the Antistes of Zurich the Name of the Switz Protestant Churches were Read.

13. The Translation of a French Letter from Mr Osterwald of New-chatel to Mr Masson was Read.

14. Order'd that the Absent Members be summon'd to attend at next Meeting, about Business of great Moment.

Thursday June. 4. 1702.

Present Mr Stubbs, Sr Edmund Turner, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Comyns, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Dr Slare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Bromfield, Mr Dean of Lincoln, Mr Melmoth, Mr Gerard, Dr Bray, Dr Nichols,

Mr Stubbs in the Chair.

1. A Debate arising about the State of the Debt due to Dr Bray, and concerning the new Subscription toward the Discharging of it

2. ~~Resolv'd~~ Agreed that Mr Nelson & Mr Archdeacon of London be desir'd to move to the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts, that their Report concerning Dr Brays Accounts may be again read ~~before the said~~ to them.

3 The Translation of Dr Klingler's first Letter from the Protestant Churches of Switzerland was again read.

4 Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Hales, and acquaint him with this Society's intention of procuring the Letters sent from the Swiss Churches to be Answer'd by the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

5 Order'd that Dr Klinglers first ~~Original in~~ Letter be deliver'd to Mr Chamberlayne

6 The Translation of Mr Ostervald's Letter was again read.

7. Order'd that the Secretary do deliver to Mr Chamberlayne the last Letters receiv'd from Dr no. 414 & 420. Klingler, previous date Mr no. 419. Scherer; Mr no. 421. Ostervald, & the Copie no. 415 Mr Vitths.

8 Order'd that Mr Chamberlayne be desir'd to communicate the said Letters to his Grace the Lord Arch-Bishop of Canterbury &c.

9. Mr Stubbs Reported that Mr Chamberlayne had waited on the Lord Bishop of London & Mr Hill, and that his Lordship was much concerned that ~~his Royal Highness~~ Sr Benjamyn Bathurst was not present, and ~~going to Portsmouth, but~~ that he would do his utmost endeavors to induce his R. Highness to answer the desires of the Society.

The Translation of Mr de Beringhens Letter with the Translation of the Orders of the Society at Berlin were again Read,

As also the Draught of an Answer thereunto was brought by the Secretary ~~&~~ which was read, & Approv'd, & Order'd to be sent forthwith

A Letter was Read from Mr Carte of Leicester,

A Letter was Read from Mr Arch D. Booke ~~requesting~~ desiring the Advice of this Society.

Order'd that it be referr'd to Mr Serjt Hooke, & he to ~~make his Report at next Meeting~~ give his Opinion thereupon

Thursday [illegible] June [illegible]

Present, Mr Shubbs, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Bromfield. Mr Shuppy a Correspondent, Dr Hare,

Mr Shubbs in the Chair,

1. Agreed that the Consideration of the List for supplying the Vacancies in the Correspondence be referr'd to the next Meeting.

2. The Secretary Reported that the Societies Books & Papers came safe, & are dispers'd according to their Desires in the Gaol at Bedford.

3. A Debate arising about the State of the Debt due to Dr Bray,

4. Order'd that it be consider'd by a Committee, to meet at Mr ~~Brewsters on~~ Serjt. Hookes on Thursday ~~Tuesday~~ next at 3 a clock.

5. Order'd that Dr Bray, Mr Shubbs, Mr Shute, Mr Serjt Hooke, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Comyns, Mr Melmoth, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Sr John Philipps, Dr Hare, Mr Bromfield, Mr Hodges, Mr Trymmer, or any 3 of them be that Committee.

6. Order'd that the Secretary do transcribe out of the Journal, all such Minutes as relate to the Debt due to Dr Bray, and bring them to that Committee.

7. Order'd that Mr Shubbs, Mr Shute and Mr Chamberlayne do wait on Mr Hill on Saturday Morning at 7 a clock

8. Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be taken into particular Consideration, at the first Meeting of this Society after All Saints day next.

9. Mr Serjt. Hooke ~~[illegible]~~ produced Mr A.D. Boothes Letter, and said that he would take upon himself the writing an Answer to it.

10. Mr Gardiner Reported that on Tuesday last a School was open'd at St. Sepulchers for 23 Girls, who are to be clothed.

Thursday 18. June. 1702.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr Edmund Turner; Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, the Lord Guilford, Mr Melmoth, Dr Hare. Mr Serjt. Hooke,

Mr Shute in the Chair, deputed by Mr Shubbs.

1. Dr Bray Reported that Colonel Nicholson will give 25 Guineas to this Society.

2. Mr Hodges reported from the Committee that met, according to Order: that there do now remain due to Dr Bray the sum of ~~105~~ one hundred & five pounds, exclusive of Mr Trymers 30£. the Dr having remitted £7-5s-0. with which he will charge the Corporation.

Dr Bray acquainted the Society that he was willing to receive the 25 Guineas of Coll. Nicholson, the Arrears that are due to the new subscription to the Plantations, a Million Lottery Ticket of £6-6s-6d, as ready Money from the Society, which with £10-9s-6d now remaining in Mr Treasurers hands will reduce the debt due to him to £16-[illegible]

[illegible] may be empower'd to receive the said several sums

	Coll. Nicholson's Benefaction	£ 26—17—6
	In the Treasurers hands	10—9—6
	Million Lottery Tickets	06—6—6
Arrears to the new Subscription to the Plantations	Mr Nelson	10—0—0
	Mr Brewster	10—0—0
	Br of Chichester	02—3—0
	Ld Guilford	23—0—0
	Total.	88—16—6

5. Mr Melmoth acquainted the Society that Dr Slare had offer'd to lend the Society any sum that they shall think fit (not exceeding fifty pounds) without Interest ~~till~~ till January next.

6. The Treasurer informing the Society that there is Occasion for the borrowing the whole fifty Pounds:

7. Resolv'd that the said sum of fifty Pounds be borrow'd of Dr Slare, & repaid him in January next

8. Order'd that the thanks of this Society be given to Dr Slare for his great kindness to the Society.

9. Order'd that Dr Bray be desir'd ~~that~~ to return the Thanks of this Society ~~be given by Dr Bray~~ to Coll. Nicholson for his benefaction to the Society.

10. Resolv'd that out of the said fifty pounds to be borrowed of Dr Slare, the debts due to Dr Bray & to Mr Trymmer be totally discharged.

11. The Agents for Schools being called in, and

12. Mr Skate Reporting that there is a School for Boys at Aldersgate is about to be Open'd, 42£ p an being subscribed thereunto: ~~but~~ and that there is a great want of a present Sum, which is necessary for buying Forms & other things, without which the School can't well be open'd, nor the Subscription advanc'd.

13. Mr Hodges Mov'd that the Members then present would lay down their 10s a piece, as a Gift to the said School, which was unanimously agreed to: and accordingly 4£ was presently given to the Agents for that purpose.

14. The Secretary Reported that Mr Thurmy of Merton-Abbey, & Mr Peploe of Preston do accept the Correspondence.

Thursday 25. June 1702.

Present, Mr Shubbs, Dr. Bray, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, the Secretary, [illegible] tray a Correspondent, Mr Chamberlayne,

Mr Shubbs in the Chair,

1. The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

2. Mr Bridges laid before the Society 2 letters proposing the Setting up a Charity School at Kidlington near Oxford. And a Debate arising thereupon.

3. Order'd that Mr Bridges do write to his Correspondent, that the Society do embrace his Proposal, and will take all due Care in that matter.

4. Mr Bridges Reported that some of the Boys & Girls going to the Charity Schools, are now upon the point of being set out; and moved that the Society would give them a fitting number of Books & Papers to be distributed amongst them.

5. Order'd that Mr Bridges do bring to the next Meeting a List of the said Charity Schools and of the numbers of poor Children therein, now ready to be put out

6. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Dr Conant, and desire to know from him whether the Parishioners of Kidlington, are inclin'd to erect a Charity School there;

7. Mr ~~Hill &~~ Chamberlayne Reported that he had waited on Mr Hill, who inform'd him that he had Communicated a letter (written to him by Mr Chamberlayne) to the Admiralty board, who inform'd the Prince of Denmark of the Contents of it. And that his Royal Highness consulting them upon it, they were of opinion ~~'twas found~~ that after what he has already given back to the Queen the Prize Money &c there cannot be much done by him in that Matter ~~restored to the Queen he cannot furnish out a sum of money to buy good books with, for the use of the Seamen~~. Moreover, that Mr Hill said 'twas the sense of the Board, that in this Case, application ought to be made to her Majesty by the A.B. of Canterbury & the Bp. of London or else to the Lord Treasurer. And also that Mr Hill express'd himself very affectionately of the Society.

8. Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be the Chairman for the ensuing Month

9. The Secretary Reported that the Books & Papers given by this Society to the Gaol at New-Sarum, came safe, & were partly given & partly lent to the Prisoners there.

10. Agreed that ~~for~~ now Dr Brays Debt is paid off, every ~~Non~~ Resident Member, shall for
X the Future, upon his Admission, Subscribe such a sum as he shall think fit, towards the promotion of Charity-Schools, to be paid forthwith, besides his Quarterly Subscription.

11. Order'd that the Secretary do draw up such a Form of Subscription, and lay it before the Society at next Meeting.

12. Mr Shute Moved that Dr Woodwards two Pieces about Confirmation, and the other [illegible] Family Prayers, may be sent to all the Correspondents.

Order'd that 6 of each of the said Tracts, be sent to the Correspondents, and the
asurer & Secretary do see this done.

14. Resolved, that it be a Standing Order~~s~~ of this Society, that no Sum exceeding Forty Shillings be dispos'd of in the Absence of the Treasurer.

15. Order'd that this be Enter'd amongst the Standing Orders of this Society.

16. Order'd that the Absent Members be sumon'd to Attend at next Meeting.

~~The Treasurer~~

Thursday July. 2. 1702.

Present. Mr Shute, Mr Thibbs, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Mr Serjt. Hooke.

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chaire

1. Memorandum. The Secretary being ill; the Society adjourn'd to this day Senight.

Thursday July. 9. 1702.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Waddington, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Sr John Philipps, the Secretary: Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Deffray a Correspondent, Dr Slare, Mr Bromfield, Mr Brewster,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair,

1. Sr William Beeston the late Governor of Jamaica, who was chosen a Residing Member on Novemb. 12. last, being arrived.

2. Order'd that Dr Bray & Mr Hodges do acquaint him that this Society did chose him a Member, & do desire his Attendance.

3. Order'd that a Copie of the Translation of Madam Hortensia de Salis's Life be deliver'd to Mr Yeates.

4. Dr Slare Reported that Mr Delaver of Essex would contribute five pounds a year ~~towards~~ commencing at Midsummer last, for promoting the Designs of this Society.

5. Dr Slare Reported likewise, that Mr Neale has given 100£ towards the Erecting a Working-Charity-School ~~for them~~ in St Andrews Parish, for the whole maintainance of ten Girls; and that it was open'd last Monday.

6. The Agents being Called in,

7. Mr Michel Reported that they are about to take in 30 Girls clothed into the Charity school at St Clements

8. A Letter was Read from Dr Conant of Kidlington, who promises to write again

9. Order'd that Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges or any of them & Mr Melmoth, do meet this day sennight at 4 a clock precisely, and then Audit the Account of the Moneys lent to the Corporation by this Society towards passing their Charter, and of the payment of the same.

Letter was Read from Mr [illegible] of [illegible],

11. Order'd that the Secretary do write him an Answer of Thanks.

12. A Letter was Read from Mr Wm Hodges, concerning the dispersing the Books and Pa
pers given by this Society to the Fleet.

13. The Secretary brought in, according to Order, a New form of Subscription for Schools,

14. Resolv'd that this Subscription be not limited to any one Article of the Designs of this Society.

15. Order'd that the Secretary do draw up a new Form, and bring it to the next Meeting.

Thursday 16. July, 1702.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Shubbs, Sr John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne.

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair.

1. Order'd that the Agents for Schools be put in Mind of the List of poor Children in the Charity Schools, now ready to be put out, which they are to lay before this Society for a gift of Books & Papers to be distributed amongst them.

2. Order'd that the last Mention'd Comittee be Reviv'd, & ~~sit~~ meet here on this day sennight at 4 a Clock.

3. The Secretary laid before the Society the New form of Subscription, which was Read, & with some Amendments, approv'd.

4. Order'd that it be forthwith Entred into the Book of Orders & Subscriptions.

5. The Translation of a French Letter from Mr de Berringhen was Read.

6. A Letter from Mr Keith (dated from Boston in New-England) to Mr Chamberlayne, was Read.

Thursday 23. July 1702.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shubbs, Mr Hodges, Dr Slare, Mr Gerard.

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair.

1. Mr Gerard brought two Guineas, being a Gift to this Society from a Gentle[illegible] who desires to be unknown.

Order'd that Mr Gerard do return him the Thanks of this [illegible]

The Agents being Call'd in

4. [illegible] Reported that Mr [illegible] had lately been at St Albans, and had recommended to the Ministers there, the Erection of a Charity-school which Motion was very well receiv'd by them. And that the Reverend Mr Fotheringall (Minister of St Stephen's) does desire to Correspond with this Society.

5. Order'd that Mr Fotheringall be a Corresponding Member for St Albans in Hertfordshire.

6. Order'd that 500 Serious Exhortations to Housekeepers be deliver'd to the Agents, together with 100 Pastoral Letters, ~~and~~ to distribute according to their Discretion.

7. Resolv'd that Mr Shute be Chairman for the ensuing Month

Thursday 30 July. 1702. (The Chairman sick.)

Present Dr Bray, Dr Littel, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary:

Who not being a Quorum, they did Adjourn to this day Sennight.

Thursday 6. August. 1702.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary:

Who not being a Quorum, they did Adjourn to this day Sennight.

Thursday 13. August. 1702.

Present Mr Shute, Dr Bray, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary, Mr Shirmy a Correspondent, Mr Hodges, Mr Gerard.

Mr Shute in the Chair.

1. Order'd that Dr Brinck a Danish Minister of Copenhagen, be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

2. Order'd that the Agents for Schools be put in Mind of the List of poor Children ready to be put out, which they are to lay before the Society.

3. Order'd that Mr Hodges be put in mind of the Report that he was desir'd to make from the last Committee.

4. The Agents for Schools being called in

They Reported that there are now 32 Boys taken in at Aldersgate [illegible]

Letter was Read from Mr Hales at Zurich dated the 9th of Aug

7. A Letter was Read from Mr Tatam of Sutton on the ~~[illegible]~~ Hill together with a Printed Order of Sessions holden at Derby:

8. Order'd that the said Printed Order with a Copie of the Letter be deliver'd to the Society for Reformation of Manners.

9. A Motion being made for some Practicall Books to be distributed amongst the sick & wounded in the Hospitalls in & about London:

10. Order'd that Mr Hodges be desir'd to lay a Specimen of such Books &c as he shall think proper, before this Society at next meeting, in order to be accordingly distributed amongst them.

11. Mr Hodges also mov'd that some of this Societies Books & Papers may be distributed amongst the poor Children in the Workhouse in Bishop-gate-street.

12. ~~Order'd~~ Resolv'd that this Motion be taken into Consideration at the next Meeting.

Thursday 20. August 1702.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Stubs (who was obleg'd to go away) Mr Chamberlayne, [illegible]he Secretary: who not being a Quorum, they did adjourn to this day sennight.

Thursday 27. August 1702

Present Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Stubs, who not being a Quorum, they adjourn'd to this day sennight.

Thursday 3. September 1702.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary: who not being a Quorum, did adjourn to this day Sennight.

Thursday 10. September. 1702.

Present. Dr Bray, Mr Serjt Hooke Mr Bromfield, the Secretary: Mr Barclay a Correspondent, who not being a Quorum, did adjourn to this day Sennight:

Thursday 17. September 1702.

Present, Mr Stubs, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Hare, the Secretary: Mr Barclay a Correspondent.

1. Orderd that Mr Shubbs be Chairman ~~for~~ to the end of the ensuing

~~[illegible]~~

2. Mr Barclay Moved that a competent Number of Seamens Monitors & other of the Societies Papers may be distributed amongst the Seamen on board the Victory in the Harbour at Portsmouth

3. Orderd that ~~30 or 40~~ 20 Seamens Monitors & other Papers, be deliverd by the Treasurer to Mr Barclay, for that end.

4. Orderd that a Packet be deliverd to Dr Slare, to send to the Reverend Mr Shower at Lewes in Sussex.

5 Orderd that ~~the~~ a Packet be deliverd to Mr Shubbs, to send to Mr Plumer, (by Exeter Change.)

6. Mr Serjt. Hooke saying that he had recd from an unknown hand a Manuscript Treatise concerning the ~~Education~~ Catechising of Children, with a Letter desiring that it might be seriously perusd:

7. Orderd that it be deliverd to Mr Shubbs, ~~to~~ be considerd by him, & he to make his Report to the Society, at next meeting.

8. Mr Shubbs reporting that a ~~Charity School &~~ Workhouse & Charity School ~~being~~ are about to be set up in his Parish of St Elphege, and he desiring the advice of this Society about it:

9. Orderd that the Agents for Schools do wait on Mr Shubbs, & assist him in the best manner they can.

10 The Agents being calld in, and

11. Mr Skate presenting a Letter from Sr John Philipps, who desires 2 dozen of Seamens Monitors:

12. Orderd that the Treasurer do deliver to Mr Skate, the said number of Books.

Thursday 24. September 1702

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shubbs, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary, Dr Slare, Mr Bromfield, Mr Skate.

Mr Shubbs in the Chair.

1. Orderd that Mr Hodges be put in mind of the Report that he was desird to make from the last Committee.

2. Dr Bray movd that he might have a Subscription-Roll for a School which is about to be set up in Chelsey.

3. Orderd that the Agents do furnish the Doctor accordingly

Mr Stubbs giving a farther Account of the Workhouse & School which are a
to be set up in the Parish of St Alphege:

5. Resolv'd, that ~~for the first Quarter~~, this Society will ensure to the said Workhou
& School, the sum of seven pounds for the first Quarter: to be repaid, when their
Subscriptions shall be compleated.

6. Order'd, that the Consideration of the Minutes of the 13 of August which relate
to Mr Hodges, be adjourn'd till he is present ~~comes hither~~.

7. Mr Stubs presented a Paper drawn up by the Governors of the Poor of
the City of London, about the Visitation of the Work-house in Bishopgate Stree
and instructing the Poor & Vagrants therein, by Sermons every Lords-day, or
every Month, as shall be thought meet.

8. Order'd that the Consideration of this Matter be referr'd to the Divines of
this Society.

9. The Secretary offering the Translation of several Papers from Switzer-
land;

10. Order'd that they be read at a full Meeting.

Thursday 1. October. 1702.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Hodges, Mr Collins, the Secretary: Mr
Stubbs, Mr Bromfield, Mr Barclay a Correspondent

Mr Stubs in the Chair:

1. The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

2. Mr Gardiner laid before the Society a Copie of part of the Will of Mr Reeve deceas'd;
relating to a great Charity bequeathed by him, for the Education & Maintainance of poor Chil-
dren in the Parish of St Sepulchres.

3. Mr Barclay Reported that the Ship Victory is now paying off, and the Seamen about to be
discharged: so that the Societies intended Gift to them cannot come time enough.

4. Mr Serjt Hook brought in the Ms. about Catechising of Children, which Mr Stubs
read and undertook to peruse.

5. Mr Barclay propos'd to the Society, the Erecting a Charity-School near St Katherin
for Seamens Children, to be maintain'd by the Charitable Contribution of Seamen when
they receive their Pay: This Proposal the Society receiv'd, and desired Mr Barclay to
bring his Thoughts in Writing about this Matter [illegible] next Meeting.

6. The Treasurer desir'd that a Com[illegible] might be appointed for the Auditing his Accounts.

7. Order'd that the Accounts be Audited by ~~the [illegible]~~, Mr Stubs, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Collins
[illegible] or any 3 of them, and they to meet here this day fortnight at 3 a clock.

Ordered that Mr Brewster be again consulted about the Decree in Chancery concerning the Benefaction of Mr Stephens.

9. Mr Wicks was Approv'd, and Mr Hodges & Mr [illegible] to Desire ~~him~~ his Attendance.

10. The Motion about giving some of the Societies Books & Papers to the Hospitals for Sick & Wounded in & about London; being taken into Consideration

11. Resolved that a sum not exceeding five pounds be applied to this purpose.

12. The Motion about giving Books to the poor Children in the Work house at Bishops Gate, being taken into Consideration:

13. Ordered that Mr Shute & Mr Stubs do Enquire after the Numbers of the said Children, and know what books are proper for them being wanting in that Workhouse.

14. A Motion being Made for some of the Societies Books to be distributed in the Merchants Ships:

15. Ordered that at next Meeting it be Considered whether it may not be proper to apply to the several Corporations of Marchants in this Matter.

Thursday 8. October 1702

Present Dr Bray, Mr Serjeant Hooke, Mr Shute, Mr Collins,
Mr Stubs, Mr Chamberlayne. Mr Berkley a Correspondent.
Mr Bromfield, Dr Manningham

Agreed that the Minute relating to the Preaching a Sermon weekly or Monthly at the work house in Bishops-gate-street be adjourned till some more of the Clergy of this Society be present.

A letter from Mr Nelson desiring that he may Apply Four Pounds per Annum part of his Annual Subscription in this Society towards two Schools in Hampshire, towards which he has very largely contributed. Agreed that Mr Nelson have leave to Apply 4li per Ann according to his Desire.

Mr Stubs reports that he has considerd of the MS which was referd to him, & is of opinion that there are so many things of that nature already Publick, that there does not seem an occasion of any more. (The book was deliverd to Mr Serjt Hooke.)

Mr Serjt Hook reports from the Comittee appointed to Audit the Treasurers Accts, that they had met & Audited ~~the same~~ & sign'd the same & that it did appear that there was due upon Ballance to the Treasurer the sum of 12^{li}-16^{s}-4^{d}

The Society agreed to the said Report.

3. Mr Barclay gave in a Paper containing Proposals of some Methods for raysing a sum of Money towards the erecting Charity Schools for the Instruction of Poor peoples Children in the Principles of Christianity &c which was read and

Order'd that the said Paper be considerd in the first place at the next Meeting of the Society.

Mr Stubs reported that there are abt ~~400~~ souls in the Workhouse at Bishopsgate.

Thursday 15 October 1702.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Melmoth, the Secretary: Mr Shermy, Mr Barclay Correspondents.

Mr Shute in the Chair, Mr Stubs being absent.

1. Agreed that Mr Barclay's Proposal be Adjourn'd to the next full Meeting.
2. Order'd that the Absent Members be summon'd to Attend at next Meeting.
3. Agreed that the Minute about distributing some of the Societies Books & Papers in the Merchants Ships, be further Consider'd at next Meeting.

Thursday 22. October 1702.

Present Dr Manningham, Mr Stubs, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Collins the Secretar Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Akers a Correspondent, Mr Shute, Dr Bray, Mr, Serjt Hook Mr Hodges, the Lord Guilford, Mr Comyns, Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Mr Bromfield,

Mr Stubs in the Chair:

1. Agreed that the Minute Relating to Preaching in the Workhouse at Bishop gate-street, be adjourn'd till more of the Divines of this Society be Present.
2. Agreed that in the mean time, Mr Stubs be desired to confer with the Revd Dr Alth upon this Subject.
3. Mr Barclays Proposal was again Read,

a Debate Arising thereu

5. Order'd that it be again taken into Consideration at the next full Meeting with the Societies Books & Papers

6. The Minute about furnishing the Merchants Ships being Debated,

7. Order'd that it be taken into farther Consideration at next Meeting.

8. The Translation of a French Letter, from Monsieur Calandrin Divinity-Professor at Geneva, to Mr Hales was Read.

9. Order'd that the French Original, together with the Orders made by the French Protestants on board the Gallies of France, be laid before the Corporation for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

10. The Translation of the Form of Publick Prayers for Saturday Evening now used in the Church of Neufchatel, was Read.

11. Order'd that the Original with Mr Ostervald's last Letter, be layd before the said Corporation.

12. Mr Stubs desiring a Parcell of the Societies Books & Papers for the Officers & Seamen in his District of Woolich

13. Order'd that of Pastoral Letters, Christians daily Devotions, Papers against Swearing, Drunkenness, & Fornication, of each fifty; be deliver'd to Mr Stubs, for the aforesaid use.

Thursday 29 October. 1702.

Present, Mr Stubs, the Secretary; Mr Bromfield, Mr Shurmy a Correspondent; and it being the Lord Mayors day there was no Meeting.

Thursday. 5 November. 1702

Present, Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, the Secretary, who not being a Quorum did Adjourn to the next Meeting.

Thursday 12. November. 1702.

Present, Sir John Philipps, Mr Serjt Hooke, the Secretary: who not being a Quorum did Adjourn to the next Meeting.

Thursday 19. November. 1702.

Present, Mr A.D. Boothe, Dr Bray, Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, Mr Brew the Secretary: Mr Chamberlayne, Sr George Wheeler, Sr John Philipps, Mr Lewis a Corr dent, Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Mr Trueman, Mr Bromfield,

1. Order'd that Mr A. D. Boothe be Chairman

2. Resolv'd that (in pursuance of the Minute of June 11th last) the Vacancies in the Correspondence be taken into Consideration at the next full Meeting.

3. Mr Shute Reported that Mr Plumer (to whome the Society gave a Packet of Books on Sept. 17th last,) has ~~just now~~ in pursuance thereof Erected a Charity-School at Ashwell near Baldoc in Hertford-shire, wherein he has placed & Clothed 24 Boys & Girls at his own Expence.

4. It was Reported that the Quakers are about setting up a School at Clerken-well for 150 Boys.

5. Order'd that Coll. Nott (the Deputy-Governor of Berwick) be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

6. Mr Barclay's Proposal Relating to the Erection of Charity-Schools, for the Instruction of poor Seamens Children, being again Read, & ~~Debated~~,

7. A Debate Arising thereupon,

8. The Agents for Schools were called in,

9. Mr Stubbs Reported, that he had discoursed with the Kings Officers belonging to the Yard at Woolwich, upon this Subject, and that he found them very well disposed in Regard to the Erecting such a Charity-School there:

10. Agreed that Mr Stubbs be desir'd to confer with the Minister of Woolwich viz abou this Matter; and that he do make his Report at next Meeting:

11. Agreed that Mr Stubbs be desir'd to draw up in Writing, a Proposal, for the Erection of Charity-Schools for the Christian Instruction of Poor Seamens Children.

12. Order'd that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Barclay for ~~[illegible]~~ his Mov this Matter to the Society.

13. Order'd that the Secretary do acquaint Dr Woodward of Poplar, with this Matter, and that he do send him Mr Barclay's Written Paper thereupon.

14. Mr Skate Reported that the School at Aldersgate for 50 Boys is compleated.

15. As also, a School for 40 Girls at St Sepulchers is compleated.

16. Mr Skate farther Reported ~~that~~ from Stroud in Glocester-shire, that Mr ~~[illegible]~~ John the Minister, has put forth 50 Boys to several Schools there.

17. Also, that Dr Stansfield the Minister of Rodborough, has put forth divers poor Children to School.

18. Order'd that Dr Stansfield be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

19. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Dr Conant of Kidlington, & put him in Mi [illegible]

20. The Secretary Read a Letter from Mr A.D. Boothe, (which ~~could~~ was not ~~be~~ don before, because of the late want of Meetings) wherein Mr A.D. was pleas'd to give the Society an account of divers Considerable Services by him lately done to the Church:

21. Order'd that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr A.D. for the same.

22. Agreed that Mr A.D. Boothe be Chairman, for the Month ensuing.

23. Order'd that the Revd Mr Peter Leigh of High-Leigh near Knuts-ford in Cheshire, be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

24. A Letter was Read from Mr Heart of Portsmouth, relating to the disposal of the books sent to that Garrison by this Society.

Thursday 26 Novemb. 1702

Present Sr John Philips, Dr Mapingham, Mr Shute
Mr Stubs, Coll: Colchester, Mr Chamberlayne
Mr A.D. Booth, Dr Slare, Mr Bromfield

Mr A.D. Boothe in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Stubs be desired to take ye Chair the Absence of Mr A.D. Booth; wch he did accordingly.

Mr Stubs reports that he has not yet had an opportunity f Speaking with Dr Altham, about Preaching to the People in the Workhouse at Bishops-gate.

rder'd that Mr Hodges be desired to impart his Thoughts the Society abt furnishing the Merchants Ships with e Societies Books & Papers agst next Meeting.

e Treasurer acquainting the Society that he was streightned for want of Money to Discharge the Severall Debts f the Society

rder'd that the Secretary do call upon Mr Brewster bt Mr Stevens Benefaction to morrow morning.

rder'd that the Treasurer do prepare a State of the ebts & Charges of this Society as also of their Income & lay the same before the Society at next meeting.

Agreed that No Member do withdraw him self from this Society without a Previous Notice of Three Months.

Agreed that this Resolution be enter'd among the Standing Orders.

Agreed that the Standing Orders be fairly engrost & do lye upon the Table for the Perusal of the Members.

Mr Stubs reports that he has open'd a School for 50 Boys ~~att~~ in his Parish of St Alfeage within the Walls.

Order'd that Mr A.D. Booth do write to the Revd Mr Leigh of High Leigh in Cheshire & desire him to communicat his Letter & Packet of Papers to the Dean of York & Mr Finch his Brother.

Agreed that the Revd Mr John Shore Minister of (Hamsey nigh Lewis in Sussex be (upon the Motion of Dr Slare) a Correspondent of this Society.

Thursday 3. December 1702.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sir Edmund Turner, Sr John Philipps, the Secretary: Mr Brewster, Coll Colchester, Sr George Wheeler, Mr Neville, Mr Bromfield,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, Mr A.D. Boothe being Absent.

1. Order'd that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be taken into Consideration at the next full Meeting.

2. Agreed that Mr Stubs be desir'd to Return the Thanks of this Society to Mr Plummer, for his late great Charity in setting up ~~the~~ his School at Ashwell.

3. Agreed that the Minute about the setting up a Quaker-School at Clerkenwell, be farther Consider'd at next Meeting.

4. Order'd that the Absent Members be Sumon'd to Attend at next Meeting.

Order'd that Mr Stubs be put in Mind of the Proposal that he [illegible] about the [illegible]

6. Charity-School for the Education of Poor Seamens Children.

[illegible] Resolved, That ~~each~~ every New Member at his Admiſsion, do Subscribe to the New F
of Subscription:

8. Order'd that this be Entred ~~into the~~ as a Standing Order of this Society.

9. The Treasurer Producing a State of the Debts and Charges of this Society, and it appearing that divers of the Members are in Arrears to their Subscription, the Payment of which being neceſsary for the discharging the Societies Debts:

10. Agreed, That the Meſsenger do Attend such of the Residing Members of this Society as are in Arrears to their Quarterly Subscription.

Thursday 10 December. 1702.

Present, Dr Bray, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Hodges, Mr Trymmer, the Secretary, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Sir John Philipps, the Lord Bishop of Worcester, Mr Lloyd, Mr Shute, Mr Seaman, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Shibs, Mr Melmoth, Mr Windham, the Lord Bp. of Chichester,

1. Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne do take the Chair (Mr A.D. Boothe being absent) whi
Mr Chamberlayne did accordingly.

2. Order'd that Mr Shibs be putt in mind of conferring with Dr Altham about Preaching to the Poor & Vagrants in the Workhouse at Bishopsgate.

The 3. The Minute about furnishing the Merchants Ships with the Societies Books and
v. the Minute about furnishing &c. sent ante.x
Papers, being taken into Consideration:

4. Order'd that the Secretary do wait on the Lord Bp. of Worcester with a List of the Societies Books & Papers, and one of each;

5 It being alledged that the general Insensibility of Religion in the Seamen on Board the Merchants Ships, was the cause of many fatal Loſses & Misfortunes to their Owners & others

6. Resolv'd that a Memorial about this Matter be drawn up by a Committee of the Divines & Merchants of this Society, and they (with Dr Woodward & Mr Barclay) to meet at Childs Coffee-house.

7. Order'd that it be an Instruction to this Committee, that they do draw up a Lette Recommending this Matter to the several Masters of Ships, to be sent to them together with such Books & Papers as shall be thought neceſsary by the Committee.

8. Order'd that the Secretary do Write to Dr Woodward, and know what day he
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great forwardness of being Recover'd, in all probability, before the next Term.

10. Order'd that Mr Hoofenhagen a Dutch Minister, be (upon the Motion of Mr Hodges,) a Correspondent of this Society.

11. Order'd that Mr Tho. Newsham be an Additional Lay-Correspondent for Warwick, being recommend proposd by Dr Bray.

12. Order'd that the Rev'd Mr ~~John~~ Laughton of Trinity College, & the Rev'd Mr Whiston the Mathematic Professor, be Correspondents for Cambridge, being Recomended by the Ld. Bp. of Worcester.

13. The Vacancies in the Correspondence being taken into Consideration, and some Progress being made therein,

14. Order'd that it be again Consider'd at the next ~~full~~ Meeting

15. The Agents for Schools being call'd in

16. Mr Gardiner mov'd the Society for some of Dr Bray's Baptismal Covenants for some Poor Children now ready to be put out to Prentise.

17. Order'd that the Treasurer do deliver to the Agents, 50 of Dr Brays Baptismal Covenants & 200 of Dr Woodwards little Tracts about Confirmation, to be distributed among the said Poor Children.

18. The Agents Presented a Printed Paper Relating to the Charity-School, comonly called the Grey-Coat-Hospital in Westminster, which was Read.

19. The Minute about the Quaker School now setting up in Clerkenwell, being taken into Consideration:

20. ~~Agreed~~ that Mr Stubs be desir'd to acquaint the Lord Bishop of London with this Matter,

21. Agreed that Mr Lloyd be desir'd to acquaint the Lord Bishop of Winchester that there is a Quaker Boarding School at Wandsworth in Surrey.

22. The Secretary Producing Mr Barclays Proposal, & Dr Woodward's Letter about it, both which being Read,

23. Order'd that the said Papers be deliver'd to Mr Stubs, and he to draw up some Proposal concerning this important affair, & to ~~be~~ lay them before the Society at next Meeting.

24. The Lord Bishop of Chichester Reported that at his late Visitation of his Diocess, he ha
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Thursday, 17. December. 1702.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr A-D. Boothe, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Sr Jno Philipps, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Nelson, Dr Slare, Coll Colchester, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Mr Windham, Mr Lloyd.

Mr A.D. Boothe in the Chair.

1. A Letter was Read from Mr Bugg, wherein was enclosed, as he say's, the state of his Case, Sealed up.

2. Order'd that it be Read when the Treasurer is present.

3. Mr Barker was Approv'd, and Coll Colchester to desire his Attendance.

4. Dr Slare Reported that Mr Neale ha's Establish'd his School at Deane in Bedfordshire, whereupon he ha's settled an Estate of between 20 & 30li p ann for teaching Gratis the poor Children of 3 Parishes.

5. Mr A.D. Boothe Reporting ~~that~~ his Opinion that Sr William Blackett might be induced by his Authority & Countenance very much to promote the Erection of a Charity-School at New-Castle upon Tine:

6. Agreed that Mr A.D. Boothe ~~&~~ with Mr Ellison & Mr Thomlinson be desir'd to confer with Sir William Blackett upon this Subject.

7. Order'd that 500 of Dr Woodwards Abstracts of the Orders of the Religious Societys be Provided by the Treasurer against the next Meeting, ~~and to~~ be distributed by the Members of this Society in Town, and by the Corresponding Members in the Countrey.

8. Order'd that the Secretary do Lay before this Society at next Meeting, a Draught of a Short Circular Letter, in Order to Revive the Correspondence, and to know what Charity Schools have been lately set up where they Live, & in their Neighbourhood.

9. [illegible] The Minutes about furnishing the Merchants Ships with good Books & Papers being taken into Consideration,

10. And Dr Woodwards & Mr Stubs's Letters to the Secretary being Read,

11. Order'd that the Secretary do desire Dr Woodward to appoint another for meeting that Committee at Childs-Coffee-house.

12. A Letter was Read from Mr Johns of Stroud.

13. Thursday next being Christmass-Eve, the Society doe's Adjourn to this day Fortni

Thursday 31 December 1702.

Preſent, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Serjt Hooke, the Secretary, Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Mr Windham,

1. Agreed that Sr John Philipps do take the Chair, Mr A.D. Boothe being absent, which Sr John did accordingly.

2. Order'd that Mr Shute be put in mind of Conferring with Dr Altham about Preaching to the Poor & Vagrants in the Workhouse at Bishopsgate.

3. Order'd that the Lord Bp. of Worcester be put in mind of his ~~making choice~~ inspecting the Books & Papers of this Society, in order to the furnishing the Merchants Ships with such as shall be thought proper

4. Order'd that Mr Brewster be again discours'd with about the Recovery of Mr Stephens's Benefaction.

5. Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be taken into Consideration at the next Meeting.

6. Order'd that Mr Shute be put in mind of acquainting the Lord Bp. of London with the Quakers Intention of Setting up a School ~~at~~ in Clerkenwell Parish.

7. Agreed that ~~Sr John Philipps~~ the Lord Guilford be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

8. The Treasurer Mov'd from the Lord Bishop of Bath & Wells that his Lordship does desire to dispose of 6£ p ann part of his Subscription to this Society, ~~by~~ in his own Dioceſs.

9. Agreed that his Lordship have Leave to dispose of 6£ p ann in his Dioceſs by dispersing of good Books, according to his Desire

10. Agreed that a little Book Entituled A Few Cautions & Directions in order to the more Devout & Decent Performance of the Public Worship of God, as appointed by the Church of England be added to the Pacquet of Books & Papers of this Society.

11. The Secretary produced a Draught of a Short Circular Letter to the Correspondents, wch was Read, ~~and~~ with an Amendment Approv'd, and Order'd to be sent.

12. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Dr Woodward and the other Members of the Committee for furnishing the Merchants Ships with Good Books & Papers, that they do meet at Childs Coffee-house ~~on~~ Tuesday Sennight at 2 a clock.

13. A Letter was Read from Mr Cocks of Gloucester

230 Thursday 7. January. 1702.

[redacted] Present, Mr A.D. Booth, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Lloyd, Mr Mason a Correspondent, Dr Slare, Mr Windham, Mr Bradley a Correspondent, Mr Serjt. Hook, Sr John Philipps, Coll. Colchester

1. Agreed that Mr A.D. Booth, the Lord Guilford being absent, do take the Chair, which Mr A.D. did accordingly.

2. Order'd that the Revd. Mr Bradley be a Corresponding Member for York.

3. The Minute about Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Bugg being taken into Consideration, &

4. Mr Bugg's Case being again Read, he was Called in, and discoursed, & afterwards withdrew.

5. And a Debate arising about the Payment of the Money which the Society engaged to give him Credit for with their Stationer,

6. Agreed that this Society will indemnifie the Treasurer, who is to promise paiment of 16li. 10s. 8d. ~~(part of the 26 li~~ that remains due, if the Stationer will tarry till three weeks after Easter for it.

7. Order'd that the Revd. Mr Bowden be (upon the Motion of Mr Lloyd) a Corresponding Member for Launceston in Cornwall.

8. Order'd that the Revd. Mr Meredith be (upon the Motion of Mr Lloyd) a Corresponding Member of this Society for the City of Worcester.

9. The Vacancies in the Correspondence being taken into Consideration, and a farther Progress being made therein,

10. Order'd that ~~[illegible]~~ the Consideration of this Matter be Adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

11. Two Letters were Read, the one from Mr Le Mesurier of Guernsey, the other from ~~Mr~~ Coll. Collier of Jersey, acknowledging the Receipt of the Societies Packets of Books & Papers given to the English Garrisons in those Islands.

12. The Translation of Part of a Letter from Mr Osterwald to Mr Masson, was Read,

13. And a Debate arising about the ~~Corr~~ Foreign Correspondence which was carried on by this Society,

14. Order'd that the Secretary do Draw up a Letter to Mr Tronchin & Mr Turretin of Geneva to invite them to Correspond with this Society, and bring it to the next Meeting.

15. It being Observ'd ~~[illegible]~~ in Reading Mr Osterwald's Letter, that he had Printed a Catechism, and Dedicated it to this Society,

16. ~~Agreed~~ Resolv'd that it is the Opinion of this Society that the said Dedication ought to [illegible] more properly address'd to the Corporation for Propagating the Gosp

[illegible] Parts, ~~and that he [illegible]~~

17. Order'd that the Secretary do draw up a Letter to Mr Ostervald thereupon, ~~and~~ that he do bring it to the next Meeting.

18. Order'd that it be an Instruction to the Secretary that he desire Liberty for the Society (in Case his Letter comes too late to Mr Ostervald) to alter ~~in~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ Title of the said Dedication, ~~what may be liable to Exception & give Offence~~, without medling with the ~~changing the the~~ Catechism it self.

Thursday 14 January. 1702/3.

Present Mr Thubs, Mr Thute, Mr Shermy a Correspondent, Sr John Philipps, Sir Edmund Turner, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Mr Bradley a Corr., Mr Nelson, Mr Windham,

1. Agreed that Sr John Philipps do take the Chair, the Lord Guilford being absent; which Sir John did accordingly.

2. Sr Edmund Turner Reported that 70l of Mr Stephens's Benefaction will be paid as soon as the Trustees (of whom Sr Edmund is one) will give a Discharge for the whole, Eighty Pounds. ~~which was 80l.~~

3. The Secretary Reported that Tuesday last at 2 a clock was found to be a time inconvenient for divers ~~of the~~ Members of the Committee for furnishing the Merchants Ships with Good Books & Papers; and that they do desire to meet ~~at~~ Munday morning next at 9 a clock.

4. Order'd that the said Committee do accordingly meet on Munday morning next at Childs Coffee-house, by 9 a clock ~~in the~~

5. Order'd that Sir Nicholas Pelham be (upon the Motion of Sr John Philips) a Lay Correspondent for the County, & the Revd. ~~Lewes in Sussex~~ Mr Graves for the Town of Lewes in Sussex.

6. The Treasurer Reported that in pursuance of the Minute made at the last Meeting he had accepted 2 Bills drawn by Mr Bug for the 16l. [illegible]

7. The Vacancies in the Correspondence being again taken into Consideration, and a farther Progress being made therein,

8. Order'd that the Consideration of this Matter be Adjourn'd to the next Meeting

9. The Secretary producing a Draught of a Letter to Mr Turretin & ~~[illegible]~~ Tronchin of Geneva,

10. And a Debate Arising about the Foreign Correspondence which was Carried on by this Society,

11. Agreed that Mr Nelson be desired to Move at the next Meeting of the Corporation [illegible] Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts, that a Standing Committee may be [illegible] [illegible] care to manage the Foreign Correspondence.

~~Order'd that the Reading the said Draught of a Letter to Mr Tronchin be~~

The Draught of ~~the~~ Letter to Mr Tronchin & Mr Turstin was Read, Approv'd & Order'd to be sent.

13. The ~~D~~ Secretary also produced a Draught of a Letter to Mr Ostervald of Neufchatel; which being Read, was (with some Amendments) Approv'd; and Order'd to be sent.

14. Mr Ram was approv'd; and Mr Windham to desire his Attendance.

Thursday 21 January. 1702/3.

Present, Mr Stubs, Mr Hoesenhagen a Correspondent, Sr John Philipps, Mr Trymmer, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bromfield, Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Mr Shute, Mr Serjt. Hook, Dr Bray, Dr Slare,

Sr John Philipps took the Chair, being desir'd by the Lord Guilford, who was indispos'd.

1. The Secretary Produced from the Committee for furnishing the Merchants Ships with Good Books & Papers, a Draught of a Circular Letter to the Commanders of such Ships, and a List of such Books & Papers as were thought necessary to be put into the Paquet design'd to be given them by this Society: And

2. The said Letter being Read, was with some Amendments Approved & Order'd to be Printed, to the number of 2000 Copies.

3. Order'd that 200 Seamans Monitors, 200 Pastoral Letters, 200 Cautions against Swearing, 200 Cautions against Drunkeness, 200 Cautions against Uncleanness, 200 Exhortations to the Observation of the Lords Day ~~200 of~~ Mr Stubs's Sermons, & 200 Vindications of those who give Information against Profaness & Immorality; be made into as many Packets & enclos'd in the said Letters; to be sent to the Correspondents at the Sea-ports, and by them distributed amongst the Commanders of the Merchants Ships, to each Ship one.

4. Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Hunt of Gosport near Portsmouth, &c. & desire
~~Order'd that the Secretary~~ in his ~~Letter~~
them to distribute these Pacquets when sent

5. A Paper drawn up by Mr Barclay concerning some Prayers & Practical Discourses to be compos'd for the use of Sea-faring Persons, was Read

6. Mr Stubs Reported that all that was desired in this Paper has been already done by Mr Dorrington & ~~Mr~~ himself.

7. A Letter was Read from Sr Richard Bulkeley owning the Receit of the Societies Books & Papers sent to the English Army in Ireland the last Somer, and promising to take the Distribution of them.

that the Secretary do send him a Letter of Thanks.

9. The Secretary produced (from Mr Hodges) the Orders of a Society of the Clergy of the English, Dutch & French Churches at New-York; which were Read

10. Order'd that Mr Hodges be desir'd to return Mr Neau ~~the~~ Thanks of the Society for the same.

Thursday 28 January 1702/3.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Shubs, Mr Thurmy a Correspondent, Sir John Philipps Mr Hodges, the Secretary, Dr Bray, Mr Eachard, Mr Lloyd, Mr Barclay a Correspondent, Mr Windham, Mr Ram,

Sr John Philipps took the Chair, being desir'd by the Lord Guilford, who was indispos'd.

rd'd that the Revd Mr Laurence Eachard be (upon the Motion of Sir John Philipps) a Corresponding Member of this Society. for Louth in Lincolnshire.

Order'd that the Reverend Mr Worth be (upon the Motion of Sir John Philipps) a Corresponding Member of this Society. for Oxford.

Mr Lloyd informed the Society that he was desir'd to Subscribe 5£ p ann to this Society in the Name of Mr John Worth of Penryn in Cornwall, which he did accordingly:

4. Order'd that the said Mr Worth be a Correspond~~ing Member~~ent for Penryn, aforesaid.

5. Order'd that the Secretary do return the Thanks of this Society to Mr Worth, for his said Benefaction.

6. Order'd that the Report about Mr Stephens's Benefaction be taken into Consideration at next Meeting:

7. Order'd that Mr Nelson be consulted about his Applying to the Corporation-Society, touching their Carrying on the Forreign Correspondence.

8. Part of a Letter from Mr Cleveland of Dudley to Mr Lloyd was Read, acknowledging the receipt of some Books from Mr Shute, & desiring some others,

9. Order'd that the Treasurer do send to Mr Cleveland a parcel of Books & Papers according to his Discretion, but not exceeding the Value of 20s.

10. Agreed that Mr Lloyd be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

11. Mr Shubs presented the Paper concerning the Christian Education of poor Seamans Children which the Society desir'd him to draw up; which was Read

12. Agreed that in Order to the Christian Education of Poor Seamens Children in general, a Charity-Schoo be Endeavour'd to be set up in Limehouse, for the Education of such Poor Children in the Hamletts of Poplar & Blackwall, Limehouse & Ratcliff

13. Agreed that Mr Shubs be desir'd to confer with Dr Woodward, Mr Russel & Mr Shute abou the most proper Methods of setting up such a School,

14 Order'd that the Revd Mr Russel be (upon the Motion of Mr Shute) be a Correspon

Wapping.

15. The Agents for Schools presented a Draught of a Table shewing the Times of Morning & Evening Prayers, of the Administration of the Holy Sacraments & of Lecture Sermons in the several Churches within the Bills of Mortality; as also of the Charity-Schools for Teaching & Clothing Poor Children of both Sexes

16. Order'd that it be referr'd to Mr Shute, & he to take some care about the Correcting it.

17. A Letter was Read from Mr Philip Varlo of Portsmouth, promising to disperse the Societies Pacquets among the Commanders of Merchants ships; which Letter was written in answer to that sent to Mr Hunt of Gosport

18. Order'd that Mr Varlo be a Corresponding Member, for Portsmouth

19. Order'd that the Rev'd Mr Bennett (upon the Motion of Mr Windham) be a Corresponding Member for Shrewsbury.

20 Order'd that the Revd Mr Harrison of Stanton (upon the Motion of Mr Windham) be a Corresponding Member for Monmouth.

Thursday 4. February. 1702/3.

Present Mr Lloyd, Mr Shute, Mr Thule, Mr Echard, Mr Bradley & Mr Worth Correspondents, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Brewster, the Secretary; Mr More, Mr Serjt Hook, Mr Ram, Mr Bromfield, Sr John Philipps, Mr Windham,

Mr Lloyd in the Chair.

1. Order'd that Mr Thoroughgood More of Magdalen College be a Lay Correspondent for Cambridge, being Recomended by Sr Edm. Turner.

2. The Treasurer Reported that 2000 Copies of the Societies Letter to the Commanders of Merchants Ships are now Printed, and that the 200 Packets are made up,

3. Order'd that 50 Packets be sent to Portsmouth, 50 to Bristol, 20 to Exet 30 to Plymouth, and that the Secretary do write to the Correspondents for the said Places to see them dispos'd accordingly.

4. Order'd that that the Reverend Mr Banks (Vicar of Hull) be upon the Recommendation of Mr Bradley) a Correspondent for Kingston upon Hull. (Yorkshire)

5. Order'd that 20 of the said Packets be sent to Kings-Lynn in Norfolk.

6. Mr Gervaise was Approv'd, & Sr John Philipps ~~with~~ Mr Ram to desire his Atten

7. Order'd that ~~that~~ with ~~with~~ the Ordinary Packet, 10 of these Packets be sent to Mr Worth of Bryn, to be distributed in the Port of Falmouth

Edmund Turner Reported that he had signed & sealed the General Release for Mr Stephens's Benefaction (upon the receipt of the 70li) and that the said Release ~~[illegible]~~ would be soon signed also & sealed by others of the Trustees; and that Thursday next is the day appointed for the Payment of the said 70li into the Hands of Dr Bray for the use of this Society; ~~And~~

~~A Debate arising about the Monys produced by the Printing the said Pastoral Letter and paid to Dr Bray~~

Ordered that a Committee be appointed to inquire into the Deficiency of the Pastoral Letter, in Order to the having it Reimbursed.

~~Resolved that it be Consider'd to a Committee~~, and they to meet at Mr Brewster's Chambers next Thursday at 3 a clock

10 Order'd that Mr Lloyd, Mr Shute, Mr Shubs, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Brewster, Mr Bromfield, Dr Bray, or any three of them be that Committee.

11. A Letter was Read from Mr Russel (to Mr Shute) accepting the Correspondence.

12. A Letter was Read from Mr Shore of Hamsey near Lewis in Sussex, accepting the Correspondence.

13. Mr Shubs Reported that he had seen Dr Woodward & discours'd with him about the setting up a Charity-School for the Christian Education of Poor Seamens children; and that the Doctor had promis'd to take this affair into his more particular Consideration, and present his farther Thoughts about it to the Society with all convenient Speed.

4 A Printed Proposal for the Erecting some Libraries in the Highlands of Scotland, was Read.

15. Mr More acquainted the Society, that about 30 or 40 ~~[illegible]~~ Clergymen & Gentlemen about Spilsby in Lincolnshire have subscribed for 3 years for the education of 200 poor Children in 14 or 15 of the Adjacent Towns.

16. Order'd that the Revd Mr Rob. Hardwig be (upon the Recommendation of Mr More) a Correspondent for Spilsby in Lincolnshire.

17. The Secretary Reported that the Lord Bishop of Worcester was of Opinion that the Societies Letters to Messieurs Otervald, Tronchin & Turstin should be ~~sent~~ written to them in French as well as in English; and that accordingly Mr Masson having translated them, they would be fairly written & sent to morrow.

18 Order'd that the Revd Mr Calamy (upon the Recommendation of Mr More) be a Correspondent for Norrel in Bedfordshire (Bigglesworth bag.)

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Thursday 11 February .1702/3.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Bradley, Mr Shermy & Mr More Correspondents, Sr John Philipps, Mr Windham, the Secretary, Mr Lloyd, Mr Stubbs, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Ram, Mr Lorrain, a Correspondent, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester, Mr Bromfield, Sr Nic. Pelham a Correspondent. Coll Colchester

Mr ~~Windham~~ Lloyd in the Chair. ~~being deputed by Mr Lloyd~~.

1. Mr Shute Reported that he had restored the Draught of the Table of Morning & Evening Prayers &c, to the Agents; who will themselves take all possible care that it be correctly done.

2. Order'd that the Comittee for inquiring into the deficiency of the Pastoral Letter, do meet here this day sennight by 4 a clock precisely, and that the Secretary do give advice of it to those Members who are absent.

3. Order'd that Mr Stubs be desired to put Mr Woodward in mind of the comunicating his farther thoughts to this Society, about the erecting a charity School in Limehouse for Poor Seamens Children.

4. Order'd that Major Yeates be a Corresponding Member for Bristol.

5. A Letter was Read from Mr Dorrington of Wittersham, to the Revd. Mr Hodges, lately deceas'd.

6. Order'd that the Secretary do write Mr Dorrington an Answer.

7 ~~And~~ A Debate arising (from a passage of the said Letter) about ~~a~~ a method of ~~farther~~ dispersing of the Societies Books & Papers amongst the Countrey People:

8. Order'd that the Secretary do ~~know of~~ write to the Correspondents, & know from them, which of the Books & Papers sent them in the Societies Pacquet, are most wanted & most likely to do good in their Neighbourhood:

9. Order'd that the Secretary do bring a Copie of the 2d Circular Letter to the next Meeting together with a draught of a new Paragraph to this purport, to be inserted therein.

10. A Letter was Read from Mr Lewis of Ackryse

11. Mr More desiring some of the Accounts of this Society,

12. Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish him accordingly.

13. Order'd that the Secretary do bring A List of the Correspondents to the next Meeting to lie upon the Table.

14. Order'd that the Revd. Mr Hallows be a Corresponding Member for Hertford (in Hertfordshire.

15. The Vacancies in the Correspondence being again taken into Consideration; and a farther Progress being made therein,

Order'd that it be adjourn'd to the next meeting.

reed that the Secretary do bring a Specimen ~~of a~~ Compleat List of Correspondents, to the next meeting.

Thursday 18. February. 1702/3.

Present. Dr Bray, Sr John Philipps, Mr Bradley & Mr Russel, Mr More & Mr Thurmy Correspondents, Mr Bromfield, the Secretary, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Melmoth, Mr Shute, Coll: Colchester, Mr Brewster, Mr Shibs,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, at the Request of Mr Lloyd.

1. Resolv'd that it be a ~~[illegible]~~ standing Order of this Society, that no Person be ~~propos'd~~ approv'd as a Corresponding Member, before the Society is certified of his ~~Readiness to Accept the same~~ Willingness to Correspond with them.

2. The Agents for Schools being Called in, they desir'd some of the Accounts of Schools,

3. Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish them accordingly.

4. Mr Skate Reported that at Aldgate within the Freedom part, there is 60li ℘ ann Subscribed for teaching 20 Boys & 40 Girls, and that the School is to be Open'd at Easter.

5. Also, that in ye Parish of St Peters Poor there is a School to be Open'd at Easter for 50 Boys 50li ℘ an being Subscrib'd & Collected.

6. Also, that at Brentford there was ~~is~~ a School ~~Open'd~~ for 30 Boys, ~~now~~ Open'd at Christmas last

7. The Agents desiring the Advice of this Society, how a man might leave a Legacy to Charity-Schools:

8. Agreed that Mr Serjt Hooke be desir'd to Draw up a Form or Clause to this purpose.

9. The Agents also Reported that the Arch Bp of Canterbury had lately given 10 Guineas & 100 Books to the Grey Coat Hospital at Westminster.

10. A Debate Arising about the Place wherein the Charity School for the Education of poor Seamen's Children should be Erected,

11. Agreed that Mr Russel be desir'd to lay his Thoughts about this Matter in Writing before this Society, on this day Fortnight.

12. The Secretary produced a Copy of the Second Circular Letter, together with a Paragraph to be added thereunto, which was approv'd, & order'd to be inserted in to the future Copies of that Letter

13. The Secretary Produced a Specimen of a Compleat List of Correspondents, the Consideration of which was Adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

14. Two Letters were Read, the one from Mr Graves of Lewes, the other from Mr Harrison of Stanton both accepting the Correspondence.

15. A Letter was Read from Mr Varle of Portsmouth, acknowledging the Receipt of the Society's Papers, & Accepting the Correspondence.

16. A Letter was Read from Mr Nelson concerning the Minute of 14th of January.

A Letter was Read from Mr Leith of Bedford.

Thursday 25. February, 1702/3.

Present Mr Lloyd, Dr Bray, Mr Masson & Mr Worth Correspondents Sr John Philipps, Mr Windham, Mr Brewster, Mr Ram, Mr Bromfield, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Trymmer, Mr Thute, Mr Nelson, Mr Shubs,

Mr Lloyd in the Chair

1. Mr Windham Reported that ~~Major~~ Coll. Yeates of Bristol doe's accept the Correspondence.

2. Agreed that the Secretary do wait on Coll. Yeates with Copies of ~~both~~ the Circular Letters & the Pacquet.

3. Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be ~~resumed~~ farther consider'd at next meeting.

4. Agreed that the Specimen of the Compleat List of Correspondents do lie upon the Table.

5. Sr John Guise Approv'd & Mr Windham to desire his Attendance.

6. Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to the Lord Bp. of Worcester for ~~his~~ the Honorable mention made of this Society in his late Excellent Sermon Preach'd to the Corporation for Propagating the Gospell in Foreign Parts: and that it be signified to his Lordship that this Society does heartily Concurr with the said Corporation in their Desires that the same Sermon may be Printed.

7. Agreed that Sr John Philipps, Mr Ram & Mr Windham be desir'd to deliver this Message to his Lordship.

8. ~~Agreed~~ Resolv'd that the Accounts of this Society be Audited ~~once at least~~ in every half Year. ~~& that~~ within a month after ~~Quarter-day~~ Lady-day & Michaelmass.

9. Order'd that this be Enter'd amongst the Standing Orders of this Society.

10. Agreed that 100 Copies of the Standing Orders of this Society be Printed, & deliver'd to those only as are or shall be Residing Members. ~~communicated only to the Resident Members of this Society.~~

11. A Letter was Read from Mr Ostervald to Mr Masson, who Presenting ~~a Copie~~ one of Mr Ostervald's Printed Catechisms, which was Dedicated to this Society.

12. The Epistle Dedicatory was Read, & a Debate arising thereupon.

13. Order'd that Mr Masson & the Secretary do wait on Dr Manningham, and in the Name of the Society desire him to Read over the said Catechism, and to Report his Opinion of it at next Meeting; particularly as to the Points of Faith, Original Sin, Justification, the Supper of our Lord, & Good Works.

14. A Letter was Read from Mr Banks of Hull accepting the Correspondence.

15. A Letter Read from Mr Shore of Hamsey.

16. A Letter Read from Mr Varlo of Portsmouth.

~~A Letter Read from Mr Fenwick of Hallaton-promis~~

A Letter Read from Mr Worth of Penryn owning the Receipt of the Packets prepar'd for the Comanders of Merchants Ships in the Haven of Falmouth. &c.

19. A Letter Read from Dr Tyler Dean of Hereford.

20. Agreed that Mr Lloyd do comunicate it to the Ld Bp. of Hereford, & bring it back to the next Meeting.

21. A Letter Read from Mr Grave of Lewes.

22. Agreed that Mr Windham be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Thursday 4. March. 1702/3.

Present, Dr Maningham, Mr Thubs, Mr Shute, Sr Edmund Turner, Sr John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Windham, Mr Kirkwood a Correspondent, Mr Bromfield, Mr Bradley a Correspondent, Mr Lloyd, Mr Masson a Correspondent, Dr Slare, Dr Bray, Mr Seaman,

Mr Windham in the Chair.

1. Order'd that the Revd. Mr Kirkwood be a Corresponding Member of this Society, for

2. Mr Serjt. Hooke being out of Town,

3. Agreed that Mr Brewster be desir'd to draw up a Clause or Form, for the Bequeathing a Legacy to Charity-Schools.

4. A Letter was Read from Mr Hales to Mr Chamberlayne, dated Jan. 18. 1703.

5 Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be desir'd to write him an Answer, & to return him the Thanks of this Society for the same.

6. Sr John Philipps Reported that ~~they~~ he with ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Ham had waited on the Lord Bp. of Worcester, who express'd himself very affectionately concerning this Society, & gave them some copies of ~~did not wholly decline the~~ Printing his Sermon

7. The Treasurer produc'd a Printed Proof of the Standing Orders of this Society, which ~~were~~ was Read and ~~many~~ several Amendments being made to them.

8. Order'd that the Secretary do write over a fresh Copie of the said Orders so amended, & bring it to the next Meeting.

9. Dr Maningham Reported that he had cursorily Read over Mr Ostervald's Book, which in the Main, he thinks very well written.

10 Agreed that the Doctor be desir'd to Read it over again, & ~~then~~ lay his Opinion of ~~this Book~~ it in writing before this Society at next Meeting.

11. Mr Lloyd Reported that he had ~~spoken~~ shew'd Dr Tyler's Letter to the Lord Bp. of Hereford, who readily promis'd to promote the Designs of this Society as far as he could.

12 Order'd that the Secretary do signifie this to the Dean of Hereford.

13. The Secretary acquainting the Society that he had recd several Letters,

14 Order'd that they be Read at next Meeting.

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Thursday 11. March 1702/3.

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Windham, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr [illegible], Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Bromfield, Dr Manningham, Mr Bromhal a Correspondent, Mr Shute, Mr Bradley a Correspondent.

Mr Wyndham in the Chair,

1. Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be resum'd at next Meeting.

2. Mr Treasurer laying before the Society a Printed Paper or Letter touching the Profanation of the Lords day, by divers of the French Refugees,

3. Order'd that 500 of them be bought and distributed amongst the said Refugees.

4. The Secretary produced a fresh Copie of the Standing Orders of this Society, together with some farther Amendments, which, with some Corrections, were Order'd to be Printed

5. Dr Manningham layd his Opinion of Mr Ostervald's Catechism before the Society in Writing: Which being Read

6. Resolv'd that a Letter of Thanks be written to Mr Ostervald

7. Resolv'd that his Catechism be forthwith Translated into English.

8. Order'd that the Secretary do Translate it. ~~with all the Speed he can.~~

9. Two Letters were Read from Mr Grave of Lewes, whereof that of 2d of March was Refer'd to Mr Shute, & he to make his Report at next Meeting.

10. Letters were Read from Mr Lancaster of Torporley, Dr Stanhop of Deptford, Mr Brockman of Beachborough, Mr Bedford of Bristol, Bradock of Canterbury, Searle of Portsmouth

11. A Letter was Read from Mr Russel (to Mr Shute) concerning the Minute of the 18th of February.

12. Letters were Read from Mr Meredith of Worcester, Mr Bennett of Shrewsbury, & Mr Whiston of Cambridge all accepting the Correspondence:

13. A Letter was Read from Mr Fletcher of Spondon,

14. Agreed that Mr Fletcher & Mr Dawes of Shrewsbury be invited to Correspond with this Society.

15. Letters were Read from Dr Todd of Penrith, Mr Peploe of Preston, Mr Dobson of Widdesden, Mr Philipps of Carmarthen, Mr Welchman of Lapworth, Mr Maplestoft of Huntingdon, Mr Scott of Northwood, Mr Shergold of Newport, & Mr Jolland of Newton

16. A Letter Read from Dr Littell owning the Receit of the Societies Present to the Commanders of Marchants Ships at Kings Lynn

17. Some of these Letters desiring some of the Books & Papers of this Society: they were referd to Mr Shute, as that of Mr Grave.

Thursday 18. March. 1702/3

Present, Mr Shute, the Lord Guilford, Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bromfild, Mr Thurmy a Correspondent, Mr Ram

Mr Nelson in the Chair, being Deputed by Mr Wyndham.

1. A Debate arising about Mr Stephens's Benefaction, and about the Produce of the Pastoral Letter,

2. Agreed that ~~it be~~ this matter be ~~disposed by~~ referr'd to a Committee, and they to meet here this Day Sennight by three a Clock precisely,

3. Agreed that Mr Shute Mr Stubs, ~~Dr Bray~~, Mr Brewster, Sr John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bromfild, or any three of them be that Committee.

4. Order'd that Dr Bray be desir'd to Attend the said Committee.

5. The Treasurer Reported that he had bought 500 of the French Papers, which he had order'd to be deliver'd to the French Ministers hereabouts; and that they ~~had been~~ are distributed already amongst the French Refugees, who receiv'd them very Thankfully,

6. Order'd that 500 more of the same Papers be bought, & distributed amongst others of the said Refugees.

7. ~~[illegible]~~ The Treasurer produc'd a Printed Proof of the Standing Orders & Resolutions of this Society, which were again Read, & with some other Amendments Approv'd,

8. Order'd that An Hundred Copies of the said Orders be wrought-off.

9. Agreed that Mr Brewster be desir'd to bring the Clause as about bequeathing a Legacy to Charity-Schools, to the next Meeting.

10 The Agents for Schools being Called in,

11. Mr Shute Reported that in Bishop-gate Parish, there is a Society that maintain and Educate 20 Boys, at their own Charges.

12. The Agents moving the Society for 200 Christian Schollars, & as many of the Pastoral Advices to those who are newly Confirm'd,

13. Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish them therewith.

14. The Treasurer Reported that some of the Societies Papers were desir'd by Mr Gr of Lewes, Mr Golland of Denton, Mr Scott of Northwood, Mr Shergold of Newport, & Mr Philipps of Carmarthen.

15. Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish them according to his Discretion.

A Letter was Read from Mr Cranston of Reigate desiring some Books of those that are written against the Quakers, to put into the Lending Library there

~~A Letter was Read from Mr Grave of Lewes~~,

17 ~~Order'd that~~ the Treasurer do send to Mr Cranston The Snake in the Grass & the Vindication of the same, Buggs Pilgrims Progress, & Vox Populi, & Keith's Answer to Barclay, & his Broad-sheet & The Answer to the Switch; Mr Keith's Narratives,

18 Letters were Read from Mr Grave of Lewes & Mr Horton of Chalderton.

19 Order'd that they be referr'd to the Treasurer.

20 A Letter was Read from Canon Gilbert of Plymouth, Promising to disperse the Societies Packets among the Comanders of Merchants Ships in that Harbour.

21 Letters were Read from Mr Poynne of Cheadle, Mr Fenwick of Hallaton, Mr Harrison of Stanton, Mr Dorrington of Wittresham, Mr Aldersey of Spurstow, Mr Varlo of Portsmouth, Mr Aeres of Blewbury, & Mr Bedford of Bristol.

Thursday 25. March. 1703

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Stubbs, ~~Mr~~ Sr John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Bromfield, Dr Hare,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair at the Request of Mr Nelson.

1 Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be resum'd at next Meeting.

2. Mr Stubs Reported that he had distributed the Papers & Books formerly given him, among the Seamen in his District, and that many Sea-Officers had acknowledg'd the great Benefit which those under their Command have receiv'd thereby.

3. Agreed that another Parcel of Books & Papers be deliver'd to Mr Stubs, to be distributed amongst other Seamen, the Parcel not exceeding the Value of 50 Shillings.

4. Agreed that Mr Nelson be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

5. The Agents for Schools being call'd in, They mov'd the Society for a number of Cautions against Swearing, & Observations of the Lords Day, whereupon it was

6. Order'd that 250 of each be deliver'd to them.

7. Mr Bromfield mov'd that the Poor Children in all the Charity-Schools might walk in Procession ~~Meet~~ once a Year at some Church & there hear a Sermon: and it was recomended to the Agents to discourse the Trustees, &c. about this Matter.

8. Order'd that the Comittee last mention'd, do meet ~~this~~ at this Day Sennight by 3 a Clock.

9 A Letter was Read from Mr Frank of Cranfield, touching the ~~Charity School~~ Library of Bed; for a Charity School at Cranfield

10. Order'd that Dr Hare be desir'd to shew this Letter to Mr Neal (therein mention'd) ~~& to~~ bring it with Mr Neal's Answer to the next Meeting

11 A Draught of a Settlement for the Library at Bedford, being enclos'd in Mr Fr[illegible] to the Society's Advice being desired thereupon,

that it be referr'd to Mr. [illegible], Mr. Comyers & Mr. [illegible], and a
[illegible] from them to be read at next meeting

13. An Extract out of a Private Letter to Mr. Mason from Mr. Osterwald of Neu
was Read.

14. A Letter from Mrs. Tronchin & Turretin of Geneva to the Secretary was
Read.

15. The Secretary shewing divers others Letters,

16. Order'd that they be Read at next meeting.

Thursday 1 April. 1703.

Present, Dr. Bray, Mr. Shute, Mr. Stubs, Sr. John Philipps, Mr. Ram,
Mr. Nelson, Mr. Brewster, Mr. Bromfield, Dr. Slare, Mr. Masson,

Mr. Nelson in the Chair,

1. Mr. Brewster Produced a Clause for Bequeathing a Legacy to Charity-schools; he was Thanked for the same: & it was Order'd to be delivered to the Agents.

2. Order'd that The Revd. Mr. Grabe (upon the Motion of Mr. Brewster) be a Correspondent for the King of Prussia's Dominions.

3. Mr. Stubbs being suddenly to go to Oxford, & moving the Society for some of their Books & Papers to distribute there,

4. Order'd that The Treasurer do furnish him, according as they shall see convenien

5. Mr. Ram being to go for Ireland, he propos'd the Acquainting the Arch-bishops of Armagh & Dublin, &c. with the Designs of this Society: whereupon 'twas

6. Agreed that The Treasurer do deliver to him, ten of the Printed Copies of the Standing Orders of this Society, & two of the Packets of Books & Papers, or what other Papers Mr. Ram shall desire.

7. The Society gave Mr. Ram their Thanks for his Zeal in Promoting their Designs.

8. Mr. Brewster Reported from the Comittee that the Affair Concerning Mr. Stephens's Benefaction, will be suddenly concluded

9. Dr. Slare Reported that he had left Mr. Francke's Letter with Mr. Neal, who h promis'd to take ~~the~~ it into his Consideration.

10. The Translation of a Letter from Mr. Osterwald to the Secretary was Read.

11. Order'd that the Secretary do Draw up a Letter to Mr. Osterwald, & bring it to the next

~~12. The Agents for Schools being call'd in,~~

Mr Shute ~~Reported that~~ Acquainted the Society, that he did believe that a Letter from Mr Bulstrode to Mr Justice Hayley, would very much promote the Setting up a Charity-School at Brentford

14. Order'd that Mr Bulstrode be desired to write to the said Mr Haley.

15. The Translation of A Letter was Read from Messrs Tronchin & Turretin to the Society, Accepting the orrespondence.

16. Order'd that Mr Nelson be desir'd to lay this Letter & Mr Ostervald's last Letter before the Corporation for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

17. The Secretary shewing many Letters that remain to be Read, & it growing late

18. Order'd that they be Read at next Meeting.

Thursday 8. April. 1703.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Shermy a Correspondent, Dr Manningham, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr John Philipps, Mr Brewster,

Mr Shute in the Chair, Mr Nelson being absent.

1. Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be resum'd at next Meeting.

2. Order'd that Mr Brewster, Mr Comyns, & Mr Melmoth be put in mind of perusing the Draught of a Settlement for the Library at Bedford.

3. The Agents for Schools being call'd in.

4. They inform'd the Society that some of the Charity-Schools-Masters were molested by other School-Masters, upon account of their not being licensed,

5. And the Societies Advice being desired ~~upon~~ about this matter,

6. They were of opinion, that the said Charity-Schools-masters might go on in their Teaching, and that if they should be Summon'd to take out Licenses, they might then take out such Licenses, or that Application might be made to the Lord Bishop of London to know his Lordships Pleasure therein.

7. Dr Manningham Reported that the Secretary had sent him the whole Translation of Mr Ostervald's Catechism, and that having much business upon his hands he could not compare the whole translation with the Original.

[illegible] Manningham producing many of the Sheets, some were deliver'd to Sr John Philipps, others to Mr Chamberlayne, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Chapin and the rest were order'd to be sent to Mr Lloyd, and they were ~~all~~ desir'd to compare the Translation with the Original with all convenient Speed.

9. Dr Manningham Propos'd that A:Bp Tillotson's a Sermons upon Restitution might be compared with Monsieur Placette's Book upon that Subject, and that a new Treatise might be made from both, (with the consent of Mr Chiswell the Owner of A.B. Tillotson's Copie) which he undertakes to obtain,

10. Agreed that Dr Manningham be desired to compare these two Authors together, and to lay an Abstract of Monsr Placette's Book, before this Society.

11. The Secretary Produced a Draught of a Letter to Mr Ostervald, which was with some Amendments Approov'd, and Order'd to be Translated into French & sent.

12. A Letter was Read from Mr Banks of Hull,

13. The Secretary shewing many other Letters to be read,

14 Order'd that they be read at next Meeting.

15 Order'd that the Accounts be Audited at Next Meeting, by a Comittee after the Society is risen; and a Report to be made this day fortnight.

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Thursday. 15 April. 1703.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Deffray a Correspondent, Sr Edmund Turner, Sr John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Nelson, Mr Ludolf a Correspondent, Dr Bray Mr Bradley, a Correspondent, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Bromfield, Dr Slare, Mr Ren[illegible] Mr Comyns,

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

~~The Account about Mr Stephen's Benefaction not being capable of being settled now,~~

~~Order'd that it be defer'd to the next Meeting~~

1. Order'd that Dr Slare be put in mind of the Letter by him deliver'd to Mr N[illegible]

2. Mr Ludolf being suddenly to go into Holland,

3. Order'd that the Secretary do write by him to Monsieur de Beringhen.

4. Dr Bray having paid to the Treasurer the sum of £ s d 44.2.6. (Forty four pounds, two sh. six pence) & accounted for the sum of £ s d 25.17.6. for the necessary Charges in Recovering the sum of 70£ by him recd from Mr Ettrick on account of Mr Stephen's Benefaction.

5 The Doctor also acquainting the Society, that in Order to receive this 70£, he has given a [illegible] to Mr Ettrick to procure his Proper Releases for the said money; or to return the same

6 Agreed that the Society does indemnify Dr Bray upon account of ~~the~~ this Note till the same be procured.

Order'd that the Treasurer do pay the Secretary ten Guineas for Tra[illegible] Mr Ostervald's Catechism.

9 Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be Given to Dr Bray for his great Care & Pains ~~about~~ in procuring the Benefaction of Mr Stephens.

10. Order'd that four pounds be distributed amongst Mr Serjt. Hookes Servants.

11. Agreed that the Secretary do acquaint the Chairman with the Names ~~& Character~~ of such Correspondents as come to the Meetings of the Society, in Order to their ~~more~~ Civil ~~[illegible]~~ Entertainment here.

12. Letters were Read from Mr Bennett of Shrewsbury, Mr More of Cambridge, Mr Neil of Stamford, Mr Braddock of Canterbury, Mr Parker of Parkhall,

13. Letters were Read from Mr Boughton of Launceston & Hardwick of Eresby accepting the Correspondence, together with a Copie of the Form of Subscription for the Education of about 200 poor Children in Spilsby &c. in Lincolnshire.

14. Letters were Read from Mr Thomas of Carmarthen, Mr Vaughan of Derllis, Mr Shaw of Warrington, Mr Edwards of Embleton, Mr Foster of Deverel, Mr Portman of Bur-port, Mr Adamson of Burton-Coggles, Mr Colmar of Babcary, Mr Juice of Birts-morton, Mr Brockman of Beachborough, (~~[illegible]~~) ~~Mr~~ Mr Johns of Stroud.

15. Several of these Relating to Books,

16. Order'd that they be Refer'd to the Treasurer, ~~and~~ he to make a Report of them, at next Meeting.

17. Agreed that the Secretary do draw up a Clause concerning the misapplication of Charities, and bring it to the next Meeting

Thursday 22 April. 1703.

Present Sr George Wheler, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Sr Edm. Turner, Sr John Philipps, Mr Thebs, the Lord Bishop of Chichester, Mr Chamberlayne,

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

Mr Nelson Reported that he had Deliver'd the, 2 Letters from Messrs Osterwald Tronchin & Turrettini, to the Corporation-Society, who ha's refer'd them to the Consideration of the Comittee meeting at St Pauls.

Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be Resum'd at next Meeting.

Order'd that ~~Mr~~ the Revd. Mr Jo. Troughton be a Corresponding Member for Gran[illegible] in Lincoln-shire.

Order'd that Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster & Mr Melmoth be put in mind of the [illegible] Settlement of the Library at Bedford.

[illegible] about the Charity-School-masters being again taken into Considera

[illegible] debated.

6. Agreed, that the Ld. Bp. of Chichester & Sr George Wheler be desired to represent this matter to the Lord Bp. of London, ~~[illegible]~~ &

7. Mr Shute being call'd in,

8. He Reported that they are now about a general Visitation of the Charity-Schools and that they have found hitherto, all things relating to them in very exact Order, saving that in one School, some of the Trustees, do cause their own Children to be taught with the Poor Children; and that in some other Schools, one Master will undertake to teach more than Fifty Children

9. Resolv'd that this Society will endeavor to obviate these two Mischiefs by a proper Application to the Trustees.

10. Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Shute Reported that he had recd 12 Packquets of Books & Papers ~~which~~ from the Treasurer, which he had distributed at Oxford amongst the Town & Country Ministers, who received them very thankfully, and have promised to send him an account of what good shall be done thereby.

11. Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Shute for his Care & Pains taken in this affair

12. Mr Shute moving the Society for a parcell of books & Papers to be sent to Mr Davenport Minister of Buckland in ~~Bedford~~ Berkshire, who is represented to him as a person very proper for the well distribution of them:

13. Order'd that the Treasurer do send him a parcell, the value not exceeding 40 shillings.

14. The Treasurer Reported to the Society, that some of the Correspondents desire Books & Papers to be given them, & that some offer to pay for them: he also reported the Names of the Books.

15. Order'd that the Treasurer do supply those that will pay for them: and that he do send Mr Foster of Beversl, Mr Thomas of Carmarthen, Mr Vaughan of Gelliss, Mr Portman of Worcester, Mr Edwards of Embleton, & Mr Adamson of Barton Coggles a parcel of Books & Papers according to his Discretion; no ~~each~~ parcell ~~exceeding~~ exceeding 15 shillings in value.

16. Sr John Phillipps Reported that he with Mr Comyns, Mr Ram, &c had Audited the Treasurers Accounts, which they had found faithfully & exactly kept.

17. Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Shute for his Services to the

18. The Secretary producing a Clause concerning the misapplication of Charities, it was Amended in some places, and Order'd to be farther Consider'd at next Meeting.

19. Letters were Read from Mr Turner of Stamford, Mr Dawes of Shrewsbury, and Mr Tottie of Enderhall accepting the Correspondence.

20. A Letter Was read from Mr Harrison of Stanton. (referr'd to Mr Shute)

21. A Letter was read from Mr Lewis of Ackrysse, which was Order'd to be communi the Society of Reformation of Manners by Sr J. Philipps.

At Mr Serjt Hook's House

Thursday 29 April 1703.

Present Mr Nelson, Sr John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, the Secretary, Dr Slare, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Bradley a Correspondent, Mr Shermy a Correspondent, Mr Coffny a Correspondent

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

1. Agreed that the Manner of Printing the Translation of Mr Ostervald's Catechism be taken into Consideration & settled at the next Meeting.

2. Agreed that Mr Shute be desir'd to lay his thoughts upon this matter in writing before this Society at next Meeting.

3. Agreed that Dr Slare be Chairman for the Ensuing Month.

4. The Clause about the Misapplications of particular Charities was again Read, & being Approv'd, Order'd that it be transmitted to such Corresponding Members as shall be ~~appointed by~~ the Society, Provided that such Gentlemen of the Long-Robe as are of this Society do declare this Procedure to ~~be~~ Legal.

5. Order'd that the Secretary do bring a List of the Correspondents to the next Meeting, in order to this purpose

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Thursday 6 May. 1703. | At Mr Serjt Hooke's House.

Present. Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, the Secretary: Mr Bradney & Mr Disney Correspondents, Mr Brewster, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Comyns, Dr Bray, Mr Seaman. Mr Hodges,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair in the Absence of Dr Slare

1. Agreed that Mr Disney be a Corresponding Member for Lincoln, on the Recommendation of Mr More, by Letter.

2. Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be resum'd at next Meeting.

3. Order'd that Mr Melmoth, Mr Comyns & Mr Brewster be put in mind of the Draught of Settlement of the Library at Bedford.

4. Order'd that the Secretary do wait on Dr Manningham, and in the Name of the Society desire the Use of his Church ~~for~~ a Sermon to be Preach'd therein to the Children taught in all the Charity-Schools, ~~upon~~ annually upon the St ohn Baptist's day: and that they do desire the Dr to preach the first Sermon.

5. Mr Serjt Hooke being removing from his House, &

6. And another Place of Meeting being to be pitch'd upon,

7. Mr Stubs offer'd a Room ~~in his Lodgings~~ at Sion-College to Meet in, which ociety did accept, till a more convenient place be found

8. Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Serjt Hooke for ~~[illegible]~~ his Kindness [illegible] in ~~all~~ permitting the Meetings of the Society ~~there~~ at his house to this day

[illegible] presented to the Society a Proposal for Printing the Translation of Mr Osterwald's Catechism, wherein ~~he spoke~~ proposing to be at the charge of Printing 2000 Copies of it, of reimbursing to the Society the Charge of Translating it, and of paying 7li to Mr Hawes for Countenancing it & promoting it's sale, Provided that the farther Profits of this Copie be appropriated to a Charity-School which he is setting up at Killmersdon in Somerset-shire.

10. To this Proposal the Society Agreed.

11. Agreed that Mr Nelson & Dr Stanhop be desired to revise the whole Copie of this Book before it be committed to the Press.

12. And thereupon the Translation & the Original (except the sheet O) was deliver'd to Mr Nelson.

13. A Letter was Read from Mr More of Cambridge.

14. A Letter was Read from Mr Troughton of Grantham accepting the Correspondence.

15. A Letter was Read from Mr Cranston ~~of Rigate~~ acknowledging the Receipt of the Societies present to the Lending-Library at Rigate.

16. Sr Humfrey Mackworth moving the Society for some of the Societies books & Papers to be dispers'd among the Workmen & Laborers in the Mines in Wales

17. Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish him with a parcell not exceeding 40s in value.

18. A Letter was Read from Mr Killingworth of Lilburne, wherein was enclosed a little Tract concerning Charity-Schools: which last was referr'd to the perusal of Mr Bradley & Mr Shute, & they to make a Report at next Meeting.

250. Thursday 13th May 1703

Present Sr John Philips, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Dr Slare, [Mr Disney a corresponding Member] Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, Sr Edm: Turnor. Sr Humfry Mackworth, Mr Nelson.

Dr Slare in the Chair

It having been Proposed to the Society that a certain Person is abt Publishing an Acct of English Protestant Charities, & that he has Requested the Society to Afford him their Assistance by the Means of their Correspondence throughout England:

Orderd that this Matter be considerd of at the next Meeting, & that Sr H. Mackworth, Mr Nelson. Mr Serjt Hook, Mr Conyers & others ~~that are~~ Members that are Gentlemen of the Long Robe be desired to Attend at the same time.

Mr Stubs reports that he has distributed the Society's Papers which were Recommended to him, among the Souldiers in Tilbury Fort, Sheerness & Upnor Castle.

Orderd that it be referr'd to Mr Shute & Mr Hodges to prepare ~~and~~ a certain number of Packets to be given to the Masters of those outward-bounds Merchants ships that ly ready to sail from the several Ports in England, according to their Discretion.

greed that Mr Henry Newman be a Corresponding Member New-found-land.

greed that ~~Two~~ Four thousand Copies on Broad sheets ~~be~~ ~~[illegible]~~ of a certain Paper lately printed at Oxford and titled the Obligations Christians are under to Avoid Vice & Immorality &c; be reprinted at the Charge of the Society.

d that the Treasurer do take care of the same

Order'd that the Treasurer do deliver to Sr John Philips a certain number of the Societies Books and Papers not exceeding Ten Shillings, as also the same to Sr Edmund Turnor.

Order'd that there be always a ~~certain~~ Competent number of all the Societys Books & Papers lying upon the Table for the use of the Members of this Society.

10. Mr Shute & Mr Bradley report that they have perused the Paper of Mr Killingworth which was refer'd to them, & that, considering the great number of Pieces of the like nature, it is their opinion that the said Paper need not be printed.

A letter from Mr Wm ~~Stamford~~ Turner of Stamford accepting the Correspondence.

A letter read from Mr Frank of the 8. May 1703.

A letter from Mr Scot of the Isle of Wight to Mr Shute read —

Order'd that 2 Packets be deliver'd to Mr Stubs in order to be sent to Mr Loton Minister of Chatam, & Mr Gilman minister of St Nicholas in Rochester.

A letter from Mr John Adamson of Burton-coggles to Mr ~~Shute~~ owning the receit of the last Parcell of Books given to him by the Society, was read.

Thursday 20 May. 1703. At Sion Colledge.

Present, Dr Littell, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Sr Edmund Turner, the Secretary, Dr Manningham, Mr Stubs, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Hodges, Mr Bradley a Correspondent,

Dr Manningham in the Chair Dr Har: being absent.

1. Agreed that the Vacancies in the Correspondence be resum'd at next Meeting.
2. Order'd that Mr Comyns, Mr Melmoth & Mr Brewster be put in mind of the Draught of Settlement of the Library at Bedford.
3. Dr Manningham told the Society that he is very willing to lend his Church for a Sermon to be preach'd to the poor Children taught in the Charity-Schools, but that he shall be out of Town at Midsomer. And Midsomer day being, upon farther consideration, found to be inconvenient for this purpose,
4. ~~Agreed~~ Resolved that this Society will again take this Matter into consideration at the first Meeting in November next.
5. The Treasurer Moving ~~the~~ Society for a new Impression of the Account of Charity-Schools,
6. Order'd that 500 of them be Printed, the Necessary Alterations & Additions being first made.
7. Ord'rd that the Treasurer do deliver a parcell of the Societies Books & Papers, to Dr Littell, such as the Dr shall desire; the value not exceeding 20 shill.
8. Agreed that Mr Stubs be desired to speak to Mr Zinzano about dispersing the Societies Packets amongst the Commanders of Merchants Ships at Gravesend.
9. Mr Treasurer Reported that since the last Meeting, he had deliver'd 6 of the Societies ordinary Packets to Dr Hare, ~~who~~ upon his desire.

Thursday. 27. May. 1703.

Present, Mr Stubs, Sr Edmund Turner, Dr Bray, Mr Brewster, the Secretary, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Dr Hare, Mr Bradley a Correspondent, Mr Trymmer, Mr Newman a Correspondent,

Dr ~~Bray~~ Hare, in the Chair, ~~Dr Hare being absent.~~

Order'd that the Secretary do draw up a Letter to be sent to the Correspondents, about the Protestant Charities given in their Neighbourhood, and that he bring it to the next Meeting.

A Letter from Mr ~~D~~ Davenport of Buckland to Mr Stubs ~~being~~ was read,

3. Bray acquainting the Society, that he has lately been at Ware in Hertford-shire, where he supposing that the Erection of a Charity-school would be a great Benefit to the poor Inhabitants there,

4. Order'd that the Agents be consulted about this Matter, at next Meeting.

5. Order'd that 300 of the Tables of Prayers, &c. be bought of the Agents, and laid before the Society at next Meeting.

6. Mr Stubs moving the Society for one of the Packets to be presented to Mr Colson of Ponth

Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish him therewith: and with one Printed Copie of the Standing Orders of the Society.

8. Agreed that Mr Bulstrode be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

9. Mr Treasurer acquainting the Society that there is no Tract about the Sacrament of the Lords Supper in the Societies Packet:

10. Agreed that Mr Treasurer be desired to lay some of the small Tracts printed upon this Subject, before the Society at next Meeting.

Thursday. 3. June. 1703.

Present, Mr Shute, Dr Bray, Mr Stubs, Mr A.D. Booth, Mr Bradley & Mr Thurmy Correspondts, Mr Bulstrode, Sr J. Philipps, Mr Hodges, Mr A.D. Kennett, Mr More & Mr Newman Correspondents, Mr Disney a Correspondent, Dr Slare

Mr Bulstrode in the Chair.

1. ~~Agreed~~ Order'd that the Secretary do ~~draw up a Scheme~~ Make a~~n~~ Table of all the Counties Cities & Market Towns &c in England & Wales, and insert therein the List of the Corresponding Members of this Society.

2. Agreed that Mr Comyns, Mr Melmoth & Mr ~~Comyns~~ Brewster be desir'd to expedite the Draught of Settlement for the Library at Bedford.

3. The Secretary produced some Additions to the List of Schools, which he was Order'd to Communicate to the Agents for Schools, towards perfecting the List they design to publish in the new Edition of their Account of Schools.

4. The Treasurer producing some of the Papers entituled The Obligations Christians are under, to Shun Vice & Immorality

5. Order'd that ~~in~~ that they be for the future inserted into the Societies Ordinary Packets.

6. Agreed that ~~200~~ 250 of these Papers & 100 Packets for the Commanders of Merchants Ships be deliver'd to Mr Newman, to be dispersed in the English Settlements in Newfoundland.

7. Mr A.D. Booth moving the Society for some of the Societies ~~Books~~ Books & Papers to be dispersed amongst the Seamen in Shields & Sunderland

8. Agreed that [illegible] Packets for the Commanders of Ships, & [illegible] of the [illegible]mention'd Papers be deliver'd to ~~the~~ Mr A.D. Booth for this purpose.

9. Mr Shebs acquainting the Society that 15 Ships are now setting out for Turkey, and Moving the Society for some of the Packets for them,

10. Order'd that 15 Packets for Commanders of Ships, be deliver'd to him, for this purpose.

11. A little Treatise entituled An Address to the Officers & Seamen, in her Majesties Royal Navy Compos'd by Dr Woodward, was Read, and order'd to be Printed to the Number of 5000 Copies on half sheets.

12. Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Dr Woodward for this his excellent Composure.

13. Mr More acquainting the Society that a Gentleman of his Acquaintance, is willing to bequeath 100li to this Society, but that he desire's a Form of Words fitt for this purpose,

14. Agreed that Mr Chairman be desir'd to draw up a Clause, against the next Meeting.

15. Mr Shute reading part of a Letter written to him by the Ld Bp. Bath & Welles, concerning some Opposition which a Religious Society in Bath does meet with ~~him~~ in Welles,

16. Order'd that Mr Shute do send thither a parcel of the Abstracts of Dr Woodward's Book about Religious Societies, as many as he shall think fit.

17. Mr Shebs mov'd the Society for a parcel of Books & papers, to be distributed by Mr Wats Minister of Orpington in Kent,

18. Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish him, with a Parcel.

19. Mr More moving the Society for a Parcel of Books & Papers to be dispersed among the Seamen coming with Coals to Cambridge,

20. Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish him according to his discretion

21. Mr Shute producing divers Treatises about the Holy Sacrament, Dr Assheton's Exhortation to the Holy Communion, was pitch'd upon to be put into the Packet.

Thursday. 10 June 1703.

Present, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Shebs, Mr Bulstrode, Sr John Philipps, Mr Davies, Mr Collins, & Mr More Correspondents, Dr Hare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Mr Bradley a Correspondent, Mr Nelson, Mr Newman a Correspondent,

Mr Bulstrode in the Chair,

[illegible] that the Agents for Schools be consulted about the Erection of a Charity School at Ware in Hertfordshere

2. Resolv'd that for the future, as soon as somany Members of the Society are met together, as are sufficient to make a Quorum; The Chairman for the time being shall call upon them all to Attend the business of the Society.

3. Mr Shubs moving the Society for some of their Books & Papers, to be dispers'd among the English Residing in Moscow & Archangel,

4. Order'd that the Treasurer do deliver Mr Shubs a Parcel of Books & Papers, whose value shall not exceed 20 shillings, to be sent to Mr Rumston the English Chaplain at Archangel.

5. The Agents being Called in,

6. Mr Michel Reported, that there has been lately Bequeathed the Sums of Fifty pounds and Ten Pounds to the Grey-Coat Hospital at Westminster; and ~~Fifty~~ Two Hundred pounds to the School at St Martins in the Fields

7. Mr Gardiner Reported that the School at St Sepulchers for 50 Girls cloathed is now compleated

8. Mr Skate Reported, that the School at Aldgate for 20 Boys & 20 Girls is now compleated.

~~Order'd that the Revd Mr Robt Sandilands be a Corresponding Member for Reading in Berkshire~~

9. Mr Brewster deliver'd the Draught of Settlement for the Library at Bedford with some amendments, which ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Chairman was desired to Read over, and bring to the next meeting

10. Letters were Read from Mr Harrison of Stanton, Mr Tanner the Chancellor of Norwich & Mr Tottie of Eccleshall: and from Mr Foster of Deverell (to Mr Shute

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Thursday. 17 June 1703.

Present Mr Boulthrode, Mr Shubs, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Dr Hare, Mr Trymmer, Mr Wicker, Dr Davies & Mr Bradley & Mr More Correspondents Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Newman a Correspondent,

~~[illegible]~~ Mr Boulthrode in the Chair,

1. Mr Shute acquainting the Society that His Printers had, by mistake, printed 3000 of the first Sheets of Mr Ostervald's Catechism, instead of 2000; and that the said sheet being an Abridgement of the History of the Bible, in an entire discourse of it self, independent of the remaining part of the Book: He mov'd the Society to take off 1000 of these first Sheets at the Prime Cost

2. Agreed that 1000 Copies of the said Sheet be bought, and inserted in to the Packets.

Mr Wicker who was formerly Approved, did Meet & Subscribe.

Mr Dixon was Approved of as a Residing Member, and Sr John Philipps
desire his Attendance.

5. Mr Chairman delivering in the Draught of Settlement for the Library
Bedford,

6. Ordered that the Secretary do send it to Mr Frank by the first Opportunity.

7. A Letter was Read from Mr Davenport of Buckland to Mr Stubs (he has the former

8. Agreed that Mr Stubs be desired to write to him again.

9. Two Letters from Mr Ludolf at the Hague to Mr Chamberlayne were Read.

10. A Letter from Mr ~~Gibbourn~~ Gibson of Welbourn to Sr Will: Hustler was Read

11. A Letter from Mr Grave of Lewis to Mr Shute was Read, ordered to be taken into Consideration at next Meeting.

12. A Letter was Read from Dr Ashton of Beckenham.

Thursday 24 June. 1703.

Present Mr Bulstrode, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Sr John Philipps, the Secretary: Dr Davies & Mr Margets Correspondents. Mr Brewster, Mr Melmoth, Dr Slare, Mr Hodges, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Mr Grabe a Correspondent,

Mr Bulstrode in the Chair.

Agreed that the Revd Mr Margett be a Corresponding Member for Kempston in Bedfordshire.

Mr Stubs proposed to the Society, that since the Hour of Meeting is four a clock in afternoon, he would if they thought it fit, celebrate the Evening Service of the urch, at half an Hour past three a clock, at which time the Members of the iety may have an Opportunity of Assisting thereat, before the business of the iety be begun,

Agreed that this Society will embrace this Opportunity of being present at Evening Service, before the Private Devotions of the Society be perform'd.

Agreed that Mr Bulstrode be continued Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Mr Treasurer mov'd the Society for a parcel of Books & Papers, to be given to Seamen on board the Ship Nottingham, where Captain Whitaker ~~who~~ has pro- see them dispos'd in the best manner.

Agreed that the Treasurer do furnish the Captain with a suitable parcel of Papers, the value not exceeding twenty shillings.

The Agents being called in,

Mr Hod: Reported that the School at Algate for 20 Boys & 20 Girls is now open'd

dges propos'd that some Way might be found out for taking of the Boys & Gi
y Schools, when they are grown up; which the Society agreed to consi

It was Order'd that the last Paragraph but two in the Second Letter, should be thus written, for the future; they will assist you in obtaining such Numbers, at the easiest Rates, as shall be sufficient to furnish these poor Boys, &c. And that in the first Paragraph of the First Letter, it shall be written for the future, of good Character.

11. A Letter was Read from Mr Disney of Lincoln.

Thursday 1 July. 1703.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Bulstrode, Sr John Philipps, Mr Collins, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Mr More a Correspondent, Dr Bray.

Mr Bulstrode in the Chair

1 Agreed that a Parcell of Books & papers, such as shall be thought proper by Mr Shute & Mr Chamberlayne, be sent to Mr Gibson of Welbourne, the value not exceeding twenty shillings.

2 Mr Shute acquainting the Society that the Lord Bishop of Worcester does desire that his Subscription ~~& Mr Lloyds~~ may be applied toward the Support of the Charity-School at Shadwell, which was sett up by his Lordship, in Case that the said School cannot continue without it.

3 Agreed that in that Case, the Ld Bp. of Worcester's ~~& Mr Lloyds~~ Subscription be thus applied.

4. Order'd that a parcel of books & Papers be sent to Mr Colton, upon his desire, the value not exceeding 50 shillings.

5 Mr Shute being to go into the Countrey, mov'd the Society for a parcel of Books & Papers, to distribute there.

6. Order'd that he take such a parcel as he shall think fit.

7 A Letter was read from Mr Disney of Lincoln.

Thursday 8 July 1703.

Present Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Bromfield, Mr Thorney & Mr Mers Correspondents, Mr Bradley, & Mr Grabe Correspondents, Mr [illegible], the Secretary.

Mr Bromfield in the Chair, being [illegible] by Mr Bulstrode

Agreed that the Consideration of the Method of taking the Charity Boys & Girls of the Charity-Schools be adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

[illegible] for Buying and Binding some Papers for them.

Ordered that 3 Packets for the Comanders of Merchants Ships be delivered to Mr Stubs for them.

4. A Letter was Read from Mr Troughton of Grantham.

5. A Letter was Read from Mr Hill of Lincoln accepting the Correspondence.

Thursday. 15. Julye. 1703.

Present Mr Bulstrode, Sr John Philipps, Mr Stubs, the Secretary, who not being a Quorum, they did adjourn to this day Sennight.

Thursday 22. Julye. 1703.

Present, Sr John Philipps, Dr Bray, Mr Stubs, Mr Newman a Correspondent, the Secretary, who not being a Quorum they did adjourn to Thursday the 16th of September.

Thursday. 2 September 1703

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Nelson, Mr Hodges & the Secretary:

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Mr Stubs in the Chair

1 Agreed that Mr Stubs be Chairman for this Month ~~ensuing~~.

Mr Shute Reported that he had been in the West, & had taken such Care that his Charity-School at Kilmersdon will be Opened at Michaelmass.

Also, that at Shipton-Mallet there is a very good Disposition in the People toward the Erection of a School there; and a Likelyhood of the 6l a year (part of the Ld. Bp. of Bath & Welles's Subscription to this Society) being applied to it by his Lordship.

Also, that at Warminster in Wiltshire, there is the like good Disposition, for a School there, toward the Erection of which, the Rt. Honble. the Ld. Weymouth, has promised to Subscribe.

Mr Stubs acquainted the Society that an antient, [illegible] Gentlewoman is desirous of setting up a Charity-School for Girls in St Edmunds Parish at Sarisbury, toward which she is willing to give the Sum of 500l: and she desiring the Advice of the Society [illegible] Manner of doing it [illegible] proper for her to bequeath the Sum to certain Persons, in [illegible] to the Minister & Churchw[illegible]

[illegible], requesting them to [illegible] to set up such a book with all speed.

6. Mr Stubs acquainting the Society that his Sermon entituled Gods Dominion over the Sea, is translated into French, & about to be printed, in order to be distributed amongst the French Seamen who are Prisoners here:

7. Agreed that this Society will purchase 200 of them to be given accordingly.

8. A Letter from Mr Nichol (a Missionary to Uplands in Pensylvania) to Mr Stubs Hodges, was read.

9. The Case of Mr Sandylands & Mrs Everard (both Quaker Preachers & Converts) being represented to the Society;

10. Order'd that it be Consider'd at next Meeting

Thursday. 9 Sep. 1703

Present, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs but not making a Quorum adjourn'd to 16th.

Thursday. 16 Sep. 1703.

Present; Mr Arch-Deacon Boothe; Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs.

Mr Stubs in the Chair.

1 The Agents of Scholes desiring that application might be made to my Lord of London for his Letter to ye Justices of Brentford towards the encouragemt of a Charity Schole there, Mr Chamberlayne kindly undertook the manage of that affair.

The Consideration of a Method for taking off the bigger Boys & Girls from the Charity Scholes is referred to a full meeting.

The Gentlewoman who was desirous of setting up a Schole for Girls in Salisbury, has acquainted Mr Stubs that she has altered her mind & designs to fix it in London where she minds to reside.

Mr Arch-Deacon Booth motioning that ye Charity Children be taught the Collect before & after Divine Service, also a Grace before & after meat also suitable Prayers for morning & evening, The Agents for Scholes [illegible] enquire into the Methods of the Schole-Master [illegible]

Thursday. [illegible] September 1703

Present, the Lord Guilford, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Mr Shute, the Secretary.

The Lord Guilford in the Chair, Mr Shute being sick.

Agreed that the Rt. Hoble. the Lord Guilford being Chairman for the Month ensuing.

2. Agreed that the Case of Mr Sandylands & Mr Everard, be consider'd at next Meeting.

3. A Letter to Mr Hodges from Mr D'Effray was read, touching a young Jew who desires to become a Christian.

4. Mr Chamberlayne Reported that he had attended the Ld Bp. of London who was pleas'd to write to Mr Justice Hawley about the Erection of ye School at Brentford

5. It being propos'd to the Society to meet this Winter at the Vestry of St Clement Danes Church,

6. Order'd that the Members be summon'd to meet here this day sevennight to consider upon this Affair,

7. Order'd that the Messenger at his Collection of the Quarterly Subscriptions, do present each member of the Society with one of the Translations of Mr Ostervald's Catechism's bound up in Calf, at the Charge of the Society.

8. Mr Hodges proposing that the Form of Prayer used in the Church of Neufchâtel for Saturday Evenings, should be added to the Translation of Monsr. Ostervald's Catechism; the Society Agreed to it.

Thursday. 7 October. 1703.

Present, the Lord Guilford, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Newman a Correspondent, the Secretary: Mr Hodges, Mr Thorold & Mr Innes Correspondts; with Mr George Psalmanazaar ~~the~~ a Native of Formosa.

The Lord Guilford in the Chair.

1. Mr Shute moving the Society to consider of some Method of Training up Mas for Charity-Schools in the Country who are very much wanted there,

2. Agreed that this be Referr'd to the next Meeting, and that the Agents be then desired to Attend.

3. Mr Morer was Approv'd for a Residing Member, and Mr Shute to desire his Attendance.

Mr Innes who is Chaplain-General to the Land Forces now going for was approv'd of for a Corresponding Member, being propos'd by Mr Cham

Saddylands & Mr Leonards Case being taken into Consideration,

6 Agreed that a Subscription ~~and~~ Collection be made for their Relief, and also that the Secretary do draw up a Preamble against the next Meeting.

7. Agreed that the Consideration of a New Place of Meeting be Adjourn'd to this day Sennight.

8 Mr Gerard brought five pounds as a Present to the Society from a Gentleman who desires to be unknown. To whom the Society desired their Thanks be returned.

9 A Letter was read from Mr Dorrington of Wittresham to Mr Hodges, about his late book Entituled The Plain Mans Gift of Prayer, a Copie whereof he did therewith transmitt to the Society.

10. Agreed that Mr Hodges be desired to give Mr Dorrington the Thanks of the Society for the same.

11 Agreed that 100 of the Sea-Packets, and 500 of the Addresses to Seamen, the remaining part of the Soldiers Monitors, and some of the other Papers (at the Discretion of the Treasurer) be deliver'd to Mr Innes, in order to the dispersing them among the Soldiers & Seamen on board the Fleet now going for Portugal.

Thursday. 14 October. 1703.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Chamberlayne, Coll Colchester, the Secretary:

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, being deputed by the Lord Guilford

1 Order'd that Mr Randal (at his return to Town) be enquired of, concerning Joseph Jonas the Jewish Convert.

2 Mr Chamberlayne acquainted the Society that he had seen Mr Justice Hawley this day, who own'd the Receipt of the Lord Bp of London's Letter, and added that a Charity School is now actually open'd at Brentford, and some Boys already taken in, and that he promised to encourage it all he could.

3 A Motion being made about the Reprinting his Graces the Lord A.B. of Canterbury's late Letter to the Arch-Deacons & Clergy of the Diocese of St Davids: in order to its being inserted into the Societie's Ordinary Packets:

4 Agreed that Coll Colchester, Mr Shute & Mr Chamberlayne be desired to move his Grace in this affair.

5 Mr Shute acquainted the Society that he had rec'd a Letter from Sr John [illegible] desires ~~a quantity~~ 6 dozen of School-Catechisms

Order'd that they be transmitted

[illegible] the Lord Guilford, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Mr Shute, the Secretary.

The Lord Guilford in the Chair, Mr Shew being sick

Agreed that the Rt. Hoble. the Lord Guilford being Chairman for the Month ensuing.

2. Agreed that the Case of Mr Sandyland & Mrs Everard, be consider'd at next Meeting.

3. A Letter to Mr Hodges from Mr D'Effray was read, touching a young Jew who desires to become a Christian.

4. Mr Chamberlayne Reported that he had attended the Ld Bp. of London who was pleas'd to write to Mr Justice Hawley about the Erection of the School at Brentford

5. It being propos'd to the Society to meet this Winter at the Vestry of St Clement Danes Church,

6. Order'd that the Members be summon'd to meet here this day sevennight to consider upon this Affair,

7. Order'd that the Messenger at his Collection of the Quarterly Subscriptions, do present each member of the Society with one of the Translations of Mr Ostervald's Catechism's bound up in Calf, at the Charge of the Society.

8. Mr Hodges proposing that the Form of Prayer us'd in the Church of Neufchâtel for Saturday Evenings, should be added to the Translation of Monsr Ostervald's Catechism; the Society Agreed to it.

Thursday. 7 October. 1703.

Present, the Lord Guilford, Dr Bray, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Newman a Correspondent, the Secretary, Mr Hodges, Mr Thorold & Mr Innes Correspondts, with Mr George Psalmanasaar a Native of ~~the~~ Formosa.

The Lord Guilford in the Chair.

1. Mr Shute Moving the Society to consider of some Method of Training up Masters for Charity-Schools in the Country who are very much wanted there,

2. Agreed that this be Refer'd to the next Meeting, and that the Agents be then desired to Attend.

3. Mr Mover was Approv'd for a Residing Member, and Mr Shute to desire his Attendance.

[illegible] Innes who is Chaplain-General to the Land Forces now going for [illegible] was approv'd of for a Corresponding Member, being propos'd by Mr [illegible]

[illegible] of Mr Freemans Case [illegible] consideration,

6. Agreed that a Subscription and a Collection be made for their Releif, and [illegible] that the Secretary do draw up a Preamble against the next Meeting.

7. Agreed that the Consideration of a New Place of Meeting be Adjourn'd to this Day Fortnight.

8. Mr Gerard brought five pounds as a Present to the Society from a Gentleman who desires to be unknown. To whom the Society desired their Thanks be return'd.

9. A Letter was read from Mr Dorrington of Wittresham to Mr Hodges, about his late book Entituled The Plain Mans Gift of Prayer, a Copie whereof he did therewith transmitt to the Society.

10. Agreed that Mr Hodges be desired to give Mr Dorrington the Thanks of the Society for the same.

11. Agreed that 100 of the Sea-Packets, and 500 of the Addresses to Seamen, the remaining part of the Soldiers Monitors, and some of the other Papers (at the Discretion of the Treasurer) be deliver'd to Mr Innes, in order to the dispersing them among the Soldiers & Seamen in board the Fleet now going for Portugal.

Thursday. 14 October. 1703.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Chamberlayne, Coll Colchester, the Secretary:

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, being deputed by the Lord Guilford

1 Order'd that Mr Randal (at his return to Town) be enquired of, concerning Joseph Jonas the Jewish Convert.

2 Mr Chamberlayne acquainted the Society that he had seen Mr Justice Hawley this day, who own'd the Receipt of the Lord Bp of London's Letter, and added that a Charity School is now actually open'd at Brentford, and some Boys already taken in, and that he promis'd to incourage it all he could.

3 A Motion being made about the Reprinting his Grace the Lord A.B. of Canterbury's late Letter to the Arch-Deacons & Clergy of the Diocese of St Davids: in order to its being inserted into the Society's Ordinary Packets:

4 Agreed that Coll Colchester, Mr Shute & Mr Chamberlayne be desired to move his Grace in this affair.

5 Mr Shute acquainted the Society that he had recd a Letter from Sr John [illegible] desiring 6 dozen of School-Catechisms.

Order'd that they be transmitted [illegible]

7. The Agents being called in, [illegible]

8 It was recommended to them to consider of a proper Method of train Charity-School-master for the Country, which they promis'd to do against Meeting.

9 Mr Graves of Lewes having sent a Letter concerning a New Method of teaching the Poor Children in the Charity Schools to Write, with a Specimen of the same.

10 Order'd that both Papers be referr'd to the Consideration of the Agents.

11 Mr Skate moving the Society for some books & Papers which will be dispers'd on board, by Mr Pike, now going to the East-Indies:

12 Order'd that the Treasurer do deliver a parcel, according to his Discretion, the value not exceeding 20 shillings.

13 A Letter being read from Mr Love the Minister of Yarmouth to Mr Shute,

14 Order'd that the Secretary do invite him to the Correspondence.

15 A Letter was read from Mr Disney of Lincoln.

Thursday. 21. October. 1703.

Present, the Lord Guilford, Mr Nelson, Dr Manyngham, Mr Shute, Mr Shee, Mr Melmoth, Mr Morer, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr Will. Hustler, Mr Grabe a Correspondent, Dr S Mr Bulstrode, Mr Trymmer, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Coll Colchester

The Lord Guilford in the Chair.

1 The Preamble to a Subscription for the Relief of Mr Sandyland, & Mr Evrard being Read & Debated,

2 Agreed that it be ~~with~~ farther Consider'd by a Committee, who are to meet at Mr Brewsters Chambers; on Tuesday next by ~~[illegible]~~ 3 a clock,

3. Agreed that Dr Bray, Mr Shebs, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, & Mr be that Committee.

4 The Minutes about a New Place of Meeting being taken into Consideration & Debat

Agreed that it be Adjourn'd for the present, and Resum'd at ~~the next~~ a full Meeting.

6 The Agents for Schools being called in,

7 They deliver'd in their Proposals about the training up of Masters for the Country Charity-Schools,

They ~~also~~ Reported that the Method for the better Teaching the Poor Children which was transmitted by Mr Graves of Lewes, is already frequently practis'd

The Minutes of June 30th 1701 relating to those poor Children [illegible]

being mentioned & taken into Consideration [illegible] that for the Future the Agents [illegible] this Society acquainted with the Names & Qualifications of such Poor Boys bred up in the Charity-Schools

10 as excell the Rest in pregnancy of Parts.

11. The Agents also Reported, that a Friend of Mr Yates's will put some Books to the value of 10 pound, into the Hands of this Society, for the behoof & Encouragement of Charity-Schools,

12 Order'd that the Agents do make a particular Enquiry about this affair & make their Report at next Meeting.

13 They also Reported that the School at St Georges in Southwark is in so bad a Condition, that at the 29th of September last past, there did & does still remain 12:13:4. due to Mr Prue the School master.

14 Order'd that this Affair together with the Proposals now deliver'd in by the Agents, be refer'd to the aforemention'd Committee;

15 The Treasurer Moving the Society that his Accompts may be Audited:

16 Agreed that a Committee do meet on here this day sennight at three a Clock for this purpose:

17 Agreed that Mr Stubs, Coll Colchester, Mr Nelson, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, Mr Grace; or any 3 of them be that Committee.

A Letter was Read from Mr Langton of Newton-Park.

Thursday. 28 October. 1703.

Present, the Lord Guilford, Mr Hoar, Mr Nelson, Mr Bromfield, Mr Chamberlayne, Coll Colchester, Mr Hodges, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Shute, Mr Mower, Mr Foster a Correspondent, Mr Gerard, Sr Will. Hustler, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Dr Bray, Mr Brewster

The Lord Guilford in the Chair.

1 Coll. Colchester Reported that he had presented the Societies Request to his Grace the L. A.B. of Canterbury, about Reprinting his Graces late Letter to the Arch-Deacons and Clergy of the Dioces of St Davids - and that his Grace was pleas'd to say that he left ~~[illegible]~~ it to their Disposal.

2 Agreed that Coll. Colchester, Mr Chamberlayne & Mr Stubs do return the thanks of this Society to his Grace for this favor

3 Order'd that 2000 Copies of this Letter be Reprinted at the Charges of this Society and that Mr [illegible] take Care of the Impression.

Mr Andrews was Appointed in Mr Hodges's [illegible] his Attendance.

Agreed that the Reverend Mr [illegible]

6. Mr Shute acquainted the Society that he has lately rec'd a Letter from the ~~[illegible]~~ Bath & Welles, wherein he writes that there is 30£ p an subscribed towar Charity-School at Shipton-Mallet in Somerset-shire.

7. The Agents for Schools being call'd in.

8. Mr Chamberlayne Reported from the Committee which met at Mr Brewster's according to Order, that they having Consider'd the Condition of the School at St Georges in Southwark, their Opinion was, that the Society should be Mov'd to discharge the 12£.13s.4d due to the Schoolmaster, and Insure him a Quarters Salary further, in case the Subscriptions for it shall then fall short.

9. ~~Agreed~~ Resolved that this Society will discharge the said sum of 12£.13s.4d (after the Treasurer shall be reimbursed with what appears now due to him from the Society,) and that ~~another~~ another Quarters Salary be hereby ensured to the Schoolmaster, whenever the Subscriptions shall be deficient.

10. [illegible]ster Reported that the Committee for Auditing the Treasurers Accompts had met, & Audited the same accordingly, and that they had found the Ballance of the same to be 3£.14s.3d. which is due to the Treasurer.

11. Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Shute for his great Services to it.

12. A Letter was read from Mr Hales (dated 29 of September last) to Mr Chamberlayne, wherein he desiring Advice what little Treatise he had best to cause to be Printed, for the use of the afflicted Refugees from Orange: The Society desired Mr Chamberlayne in his Answer, to recommend (besides Bp Kenn's Exposition mentioned by Mr Hales,) Mr Kettlewells Offices for the Persecuted, the ~~Pastoral Letter~~, & the Christian Monitor.

13. A Latin Letter (inclosed in Mr Hales's) from Joan. Osiander Abbat of Hirschaw the Court of Wartemberg, the being Read ~~[illegible]~~

14. Order'd that the Secretary do Translate it against next Meeting.

15. Order'd that Mr Law be a Corresponding Member for Yarmouth.

16. Agreed that Mr Nelson be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Thursday: 4 November. 1703.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Nelson, Mr Brewster, Mr Hodges, Mr Andrews, Mr Foster a Correspondent, Mr Grabe a Correspondent, Mr Hoar, the ~~[illegible]~~ Colchester, Mr Newman a Correspondent.

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

Mr Stubs Reported from the Committee which lately met at Mr Brewster's that they [illegible] Opinion that the Subscription for Mr [illegible] should be distinct & separate from [illegible] Mr [illegible]gard; and that they had drawn up a Preamble in this manner [illegible] which being Read, was Approv'd & order'd to be fair Written.

[illegible] being [illegible]

[illegible] of Living; and [illegible] divers Questions, as whether there was any difference between her Husband & her? Whether they were separated? What Children she has? How dispos'd? To all which she returned Answers to the Satisfaction of the Society, Whereupon

4 'Tis Agreed, that this Society will procure the Sum of Twenty pounds, for the pres[ent] Relief & Encouragement of this Mrs Mary Everard by way of Trading in Chocol[ate] Tea & Coffee.

5 Order'd that the Secretary do draw up a Preamble to a Subscription for this purpose against next Meeting.

6 A Debate arising about a new place of Meeting, and the Quest-house at St Dunstan's Church being propos'd as a convenient place,

7 Agreed that Mr Hoar, Mr Brewster, Mr Bulstrode, Dr Hare, or any three of them, be desir'd to inspect the Quest-house at St Dunstan's Church, and that they do make their Report of it at next Meeting.

8 The Secretary acquainted the Society that Mr Shute had waited upon Mr Yeates, who being very ill, could not at that time be so properly discoursed withall about the 17th p ann mention'd in the Min. of Octob. 21. last. but that he would bring the particulars about it to the next meeting.

9 Mr Thibs Reported from the abovementioned Committee, that they were of Opinion that the three first Articles in the Agents Proposals about Training up Masters for the Charity-Schools, should be inserted into the Printed Paper of Orders for those Schools, at the next Impression of it: to which the Society Agreed.

10 The Secretary produced his Translation of Dr Osianders Letter which was read

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Thursday. 11. **November**. 1703

Present, Mr Nelson, Mr Shute, Mr Thibs, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Andr[ews] Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, Mr Bromfield, Mr Akers a Correspondent, Dr Hare, Mr Hoar, Mr Hodges, Coll Colchester, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Mr Thurmy a Correspondent, Mr Grabe a Correspondent, Mr Trymmer;

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

1 Agreed that Mr Hales's last letter to Mr Chamberlayne, with Dr Osiander's which was enclos'd therein, be both laid before the Corporation for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign [Parts] at their next Meeting.

2 Dr Chetwood Arch-D. of York desiring a Specimen of the Society's Books [illegible]

Order'd that a Packet be deliver'd to Mr Chamberlayne ~~for [illegible]~~

Mr Akers of Bleebury acquainting the Society with the [illegible]

~~Agreed that the Society [illegible]~~ the Opening the same School again, Provided there be a sufficient [illegible] for the carrying it on, for another year.

6 Mr Bromfield producing some Letters & Papers from Mr Kirkwood concerning the Erecting of Lending Libraries ~~in~~ in the High-lands, which being read

7. Order'd that the Secretary do draw up a Letter, in order to recommend this good Design to all the Correspondents of this Society, and that he do bring it to the next Meeting

8. Order'd that such Papers & little Tracts which have not already been communicated to the Correspondents, be observ'd, & inserted into the next little Packet.

9 Order'd that the Treasurer do consider of a proper Method of distributing the 200 of French Translations of Mr Stubs's late Sermon, Entituled Gods Dominion over the Sea, &c

10 The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

11 Mr Skate Reported that there is now 6li p ann Subscribed towards the School in Spittle-fields.

12 Mr Michel Reported that the School at Brentford goes on but slowly, notwithstanding a Prospect there is of some considerable Subscriptions thereunto. Whereupon the Society desired Mr Hoar to confer with Mr Justice Hawley upon this Affair.

13 They delivering in a Letter from Mr Esdale, wherein 'twas certified that a certain Gentleman is willing to assign to this Society a Lease of six Houses in Gloucester Court; for the promotion of Charity-Schools:

14 Agreed that Mr Brewster & Mr Melmoth be desired to enquire into this Matter, & to make a Report of it at next Meeting.

15 The Minutes of 20 May last, about a Procession of the Poor Children taught in the Charity Schools, being taken into consideration & Debated,

16. Order'd that all the Poor Children with their Masters & Mistresses, do meet or Rendezvous together at two ~~certain~~ proper Places, on St Innocents day next in the Forenoon and thence to walk decently in Procession so as to meet all together at St Andrew's Church in Holbourn at a certain Hour, and there be present at Divine Service, &c.

17 The Agents also did propose the procuring a General Act of Parliament for incorporating a body of men for the receiving of Charitable Benefactions to be given to the School or Workhouse (commonly called the Grey-Coat-Hospital) in St Magaret Westminster. Of this Matter, the Society took time to consider.

18 Mr Nelson laid upon the Table a dangerous Libel ~~calle~~ entituled The Principles of the Protestant Reformation Explain'd, &c and acquainted them with the ill Principles contained therein: as also that he had already taken Care to send one of them to ~~the~~ a Ministry [illegible] with a Letter desiring him to take cognizance of the matter, & care to find out & punish the Author & Printer. For which information the Society return'd him thanks

~~[illegible] that this Matter be Communicated to the Society for~~

[illegible] Residing Member & Mr [illegible] Proposed to [illegible]

[illegible] Maryland, proposed by the Secretary, being [illegible]
[illegible] as were present and [illegible]

[illegible] Order'd that the Messenger do carry it to the rest of the Resident Members, and recom-
mend to their Charity. delivering the Moneys by him collected to Mr Shute.

22 The Secretary producing a Preamble to a Subscription for Mr Everard, It was read, & with an Amendment approv'd.

23 Order'd that the Secretary do ~~ap~~ transcribe it, & bring it to the next Meeting.

24 Mr Hoare Reported from the Committee appointed to ~~re~~ view the Quest-house at St Dunstan's Church; that they had been there accordingly, and do find it to be very convenient for the Meetings of the Society.

25. Order'd that the Absent Members ~~may~~ be summon'd to the next Meeting, the reason being specified.

26 A Letter was read, from Mr Grave of [illegible]

Thursday. 18 November 1703.

Present, Mr Lloyd, Mr Shute, Mr Shets, Mr Nelson, Mr Reynolds, Sr John Philipps, Sr Edmund Turner, Colt Colchester, Sr Wm Hustler, Mr Grabe a Correspondent, Dr Slare, Mr Morer, Mr Leaman, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, A D Kennett, the Lord Guilford, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bulstrode, Mr ~~Collins~~, Mr Hoare, Mr Vigerous Edwards, Mr Bromfield,

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

1 Order'd that the Secretary do write to those Gentlemen who have propos'd others for Residing Members of this Society, who having been Approv'd as such, have not Appear'd at the Meetings of the Society, or not Subscrib'd.

2 Agreed that Dr Manningham be put in Mind of the Minute of 8 April 1703 concerning a Treatise upon the Subject of Restitution.

3 Dr Slare acquainted the Society that Mr Neale has some small houses, which he is willing to give as a foundation for an Erection of a Charity-School at Ware in Hertfordshire, if it may be Encouraged by this Society.

4 Order'd that the Agents for Schools be certified of this Matter, and that they do Apply themselves to the promotion of it.

5 The Secretary producing a Draught of a new Letter to the Correspondents, it was read and with an Amendment Approv'd,

6 He also produced a new Paragraph to be inserted into the second General Letter, which being read, was with some Amendments Approved, and order'd to be inserted [illegible]
[illegible]

7 Agreed that a Committee be appointed for Considering of a proper Method for [illegible] Lending Libraries in [illegible] Wales where they are extremely wanted [illegible]

Agreed that [illegible]

[illegible]

Agreed that ~~that~~ the Ld. Bp. of Bangor, Mr Lloyd, Dr Perry, Sr Humf
Sr John Phillipps, Coll Colchester, Mr Nelson, Mr Brewster, or any three of them, be the Committe
Erection of Lending Libraries in Wales: and they to meet at Mr Brewster
bers, on ~~Tuesday next at~~ Tuesday next at 7 a clock in the Evening.

The Debate about Removing the Meetings of the Society to the Quest-house at St Dunstan's Church being ~~[illegible]~~ resum'd,

Agreed that the former Committee for this Affair, or any 3. of them, do again Meet, and consider of what is necessary to be provided in order to the Society's meeting at that Quest-house, and that they make their Report ~~[illegible]~~ at next meeting.

12. Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Shute, for his great Kindness shewed unto it, ever since their removing to his house, and for the Liberty of Meeting therein.

Thursday. Novr 25 1703 At Sion Colledge.

Present Mr Nelson, Sr John Philips, Dr Davies, Mr Bromfield, Mr Kirkwood, Dr Slare, Mr Edwards, Mr Shute, Mr Shule, Mr Short, Mr Brewster, Mr Grabe, Mr Wakes, Mr Hodges,

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be still desired to lay Mr Hales's ~~[illegible]~~ Charity Letters before the Corporation.

Mr Shute acquainting the Society that he delivered 50 of his six Sermons being translated into French to ye French Seamen Prisoners near the [illegible] of ym kindly and desired some New-Testaments, order'd that he be allowed 10s for that [illegible]

Mr Hoar is desired to speak to Justice Hawley about the Charity Schole at Brentford.

Agreed that Dr Manningham have notice from the Secretary of the Procession intended on Innocents day to his Church, and that he be desired to prepare such a Discourse from ye Desk or Pulpit as he shall judge most proper on such an occasion.

Ordered that ~~the Act~~ the Minute of the Act of Parliament for incorporating the Schole at Westminster be referred to a full meeting.

Colchester is desired to take the Chair for ye next Meeting & the Secretary do acquaint him therewith

Some informations being tendred with respect to ye ill conduct of Mr P Schoolmaster of Shadwell, order'd that the Agents be desired to enquire

[illegible] Proposal for some assistance towards erecting a [illegible] at Clavering in Essex a large & poor Town, be agreed that [illegible] to the Person concerned to hope for ye assist [illegible] for they [illegible] their [illegible] in getting

[illegible] was read from Mr [illegible] giving [illegible]
[illegible] in Glocestershire there is a Schole setting, and that the
ligent in Catechizing: and withall that he designs to set up a
his own Parish and desires the advice of the Society

ed that Mr Grant the Church-Wardens of St Dunstan have the thanks of the Society for the Liberty given
ye Society for meeting in their Vestry-Room every Thursday.

r Slare & Mr Brewster reported that they had view'd the Room mentioned
d that ye following necessarys were wanted; 8 Chairs, whereof one to be
elbow'd, a Curtain for the Windows, Wood for firing, Candles, Lanthorns
r the Stair-Case, & a Hammer. &c

rder'd that ye Treasurer do provide them accordingly, so that the Society
may meet there next Thursday being the second of December. and that
the Messenger do summon the members thither accordingly.

veral reports having been made to ye Society concerning the Soldier in the
ower who became blind upon an imprecation that he might be so if
he was guilty of a Theft charged upon him, Ordered that a Committee be
appointed to enquire farther of ye Fact, and to make a Report of it
to ye Society in Writing. (Mr Ch. hath the papers)

That Sr Richd Blackmore, Dr Slare, Col Colchester, Sr John Philips,
Mr Nelson, Dr Bray, Dr Davies, Dr Woodward, ~~&~~ Mr Stubs ~~&~~ Mr Shute
& Mr Brewster be that Committee, or any five of ym, meeting at
[illegible] Coffee-House in Smithfield on Monday next at 11 of the Clock.

Mr Kirkwood attending, & giving the Society satisfaction about the
harge for the Highlands in Scotland, agreed that 2 Paragraphs
der'd to be drawn up by ye Secretary, be by him sent to the Cor-
respondents according to former order.

r John Philips & Mr Brewster gave in their Report as to ye Houses offer'd
e Society by Mr Yeats's friend, That they had spoken wth him; that he [illegible]
d his Grant, & left it to ye Society either to accept ye Lease or dispo
f the Houses as they think fit, & employ the Money to ye improvement of
harity Scholes.

A Letter from Mr Professor Whiston at Cambridge was read relating to the
ncouragement of Charity Scholes there, & yt ye Subscriptions particularly
200li p annum. The Secretary to answer it wth the thanks [illegible]
for such good Intelligence, & to assure him yt ye Paper containing [illegible] should [illegible]
they had compleated their work.

A Letter from Mr Peploe of Preston was read giving an account of
stablish'd in that town for 20 poor boys upon 400li rais'd for one, by
ntingent Subscriptions. The Secretary to answer it wth thanks.

Letter from Mr [illegible] of Yarmouth, accepting ye Correspondence [illegible]
[illegible] a hopefull prospect of erecting a [illegible]
[illegible] from Mr [illegible]

[illegible] 1705 [illegible]

Present Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Sr John Philipps, Mr Hoa
Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Nevile, Mr Brewster, Mr Yeate a Correspondent, Mr
Correspondent, Mr Edwards, Mr Rackford, Dr Davies a Correspondent, Mr Shute, Mr Br
Coll Colchester, Mr Trymmer, Sr George Wheler a Correspondent, the Lord Guilford, Sr Humfrey

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

1. Agreed that Dr Manningham be desired to Treat with Mr Chiswell the Bookseller about
reprinting A.B. Tillotson's 2 Sermons ~~ab~~ concerning Restitution, in a small Letter, so as to sell for 6d.

2. ~~Order'd~~ that the Treasurer do lay a Copie of the late Bp of Bath & Wells's Treatise upon the
Sins of Infirmity, Presumption, & upon Restitution, before the Society at next Meeting.

3. Order'd that the Treasurer do bring a List of the Books & Papers contained in the Society's
Ordinary Packet, to the next Meeting.

4. Mr Grave of Lewes writing to Mr Shute that the Society's Books & Papers may do great good
at Brighthelmston in Sussex, if distributed amongst the Poor People there by the Minister thereof,
who is a very worthy Person:

5 Order'd that the Treasurer do send a Parcel to Mr Grave, for this use; the value not exceeding 20s.

6. Mr Thoroughgood More having desired a small parcel of ~~Books~~ Papers, of 5s. value, to be transmitted to
him now at Cambridge; Order'd that they be sent accordingly.

7. Order'd that 200 Copies of the first Sheet of Mr Ostervald's Catechism, being an Abridgement of the Bible, be sent to Mr Trymmer
and 50 more to Dr Slare.

8 Order'd that Mr Shute do distribute the Society's usual Allowance to ~~the~~ Mr Shute's Servants.

9 The Agents for Schools being Call'd in.

10 They desired a longer time than the next Innocents day, for bringing all the poor Children to
St Andrews Church in Holbourn; which being debated, the Society Agreed to leave the Time & place
according to them.

11 A little Booke being deliver'd in to the Society, being translated out of French, & written by
Madame Guion, & subtile ~~A~~ Short & easie Method of Prayer, and Printed by Mr Downing, which contains
many dangerous points: Order'd that Mr Downing be certified, that if he prints any more such
Books, he shall print ~~be~~ no longer for the Society.

The Agents delivering in a Proposal in Writing for the Establishing of Corporations by Act of Par
for receiving of Charities given or to be given to Charity-Schools; It was Read, & being de
Order'd that this Affair be referr'd to a Committee, and they to meet ~~on this day Fortnight~~ on Munday next at 10 a
~~at the Court of Requests~~ Vigers's Coffee-house.

Agreed that the Lord Guilford, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Coll Colchester, Sr John Philipps, Mr Comyns, Mr Brewster,
Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Molyneux, Mr Serj. Hook, Mr Edwards, Mr Seaman, Mr Bromfield, or any three of them be

Sr John Philipps Reporting that he & Mr Brewster had discoursed with Mr Yeate's [illegible]
[illegible] mentioned in the last Week's Minutes, & a debate arising thereupon,

[illegible] Mr Hare, Mr Brewster, Mr [illegible], [illegible], Mr Edwards, [illegible] or any 3 of them be the Committee.

18 Part of a Letter from Mr [illegible] of Plymouth was read, owning the Receipt of the [illegible] Packets, and the dispersing them in that place.

19 The Secretary [illegible] producing a List of the Cities, Market & other great Towns in England & Wales, wherein was inserted a List of the Society's Correspondents for England.

20 Order'd that it be Framed, against next Meeting.

Thursday. 9. December. 1703. the Vestry of St Dunstans

Present, Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, Mr Salmon a Correspondent, Sr Edmund Turn Sr John Philipps, Mr Melmoth, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards, Mr Bro field, Mr Brewster, Mr Hoare, Dr Hare, Mr Trymmer, Coll. Colchester.

Mr Stubs in the Chair being deputed by Coll Colchester.

1 Agreed that the Character of Mr Power be enquired after by the Agents.

2. The Agents being called in, They Reported that Mr Downing the Printer ~~is~~ is so sorry that he has incurr'd the displeasure of this Society by Printing the Translation of Madam Guyon's Book, that he is determin'd to call in all the Copies which are unsold, and to make wast Paper of them; whereupon the Society agreed to make Mr Downing some allowance towards his loss thereby, and that Mr Shute shall take Care of this Matter

3. The Agents also Reported that the School at Brentford goes on better than before, ten pounds per an being subscribed thereunto, and part of it by Justice Hawley.

4 The Minute of the 25th of November relating to the Soldier lately struck blind in the [illegible] still referr'd to ye Enquiry & Consideration of the same Committee, and they to meet at Sarts Coffee house in Smithfield, on Monday next at ten a clock.

5 Mr Chamberlayne presented a Letter from Mr Vernon her Maties Envoy at Coppenhagen, and desired the Society's Instructions for the Answering it, which were given accordingly, viz that as the Thanks & Services of the Society, he should be desir'd to enquire after the Success of the Packets of Books & Papers transmitted by Dr Mecken to the Danish Secretary of State: that by means of Dr Brinck & Mr Ludolf, & Mr Hales, they would endeavour to form with a Society there ~~at [illegible]~~

6 Order'd that a Packet containing a Copie of each Book & Paper dispers'd by the Society be sent to Mr Chamberlayne for Mr Vernon's use.

7. Dr Slare read part of a Letter from Mr Ludolf at Copenhagen, giving an account of ye hopes he has of doing ~~some~~ good in those Northern parts.

8 Agreed that 500 Copies of the Paper Entituled The Duty of Servants be bought of [illegible] & put into the New ~~[illegible]~~ Packet.

9 Mr Stubs acquainted the Society that he had [illegible] [illegible] the School [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] publish[illegible] [illegible] to be performed this Evening at [illegible]
called the ~~Tempest~~, which he conceived to be [illegible] Defiance of Gods heavy Judg-

Ordered that the Matter of Play-houses be referr'd to a Committee, and they to meet at [illegible] Quest-house this day sennight at two a clock.

Agreed that the Ld Guilford, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Nelson, Mr [illegible] Sr John Philipps, Coll Colchester, Mr Trymmer, [illegible] Chamberlayne, the Divines & Gentlemen of the Long Robe who are Members of this Society, any three of them be that Committee.

13. The Treasurer presented some Copies of the late Bp of Bath & Wells's Treatise of the Sin of Infirmity, &c. which Treatise the Society Order'd to be Put into their New Packets

14. Sr John Philipps Reported that there met a very full Committee at Vigers's Coffee-house, who having made ~~great~~ considerable Progress in the Matter to them refer'd, they desired to Meet again at the same place to morrow-morning at ten a Clock. to which the Society agreed.

15. Sr John Philipps Reported from the Committee appointed to manage the Affair of the Houses offer'd to the Society by Mr Yeats's Friend, that they had viewed them; that they are in so good Condition that they withstood the late Hurricane without any ~~material~~ damage; and that the Tenants who hold them, do pay their Rents ~~very~~ pretty well.

16. Agreed that the same Committee do meet again about this Affair, at Childs Coffee-house on Tuesday-next by ten a Clock.

17. A Letter was Read from Dr Todd of Penrith, who acknowledges the great good done by dispersing the Societies Papers in his Neighbourhood.

St Dunstans Quest-house: 16 December, 1703.

Present, the Lord Bishop of Chichester, Mr Nelson, Sr Edm. Turner, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Andrews, Mr Shute, Mr Bromfield, Mr Thurmy a Correspondent, Mr Edwards, Sr John Philipps, Coll. Colchester, Mr Trymmer, Mr Jeaman, Mr Hoare, Mr Brewster,

The Lord Bp of Chichester in the Chair, being deputed by Coll. Colchester,

1. The Treasurer producing a List of the Books & Papers contained in the Societies ordinary Packet was Read, and some useful Treatises being specified as out of Print, particularly the Bristol [illegible] and the Account of the Sufferings of the French Protestants in the Gallies, Mr Treasurer was desired to confer with Mr Nutt & Mr Downing about the Reprinting them.

2. A Letter was read from Mr Grace of Lewes to Mr Shute, owning the receit of the Societies Packet of Books & Papers sent by the Society for the Poor people at Brighthelmston, and that they are delivered to Mr Hay the Minister of that Town.

3. The Lord Bp. of Chichester Reported from the Committee appointed to Meet about the Affair of Play-houses, that they had met accordingly, and taken it into Consideration, so as to Agree that [illegible] and Regulation of Plays, are proper to be attempted now; and in Order to this that a Representation of Reasons for a Suspension be drawn up, and presented to his Grace the Lord A.B. of [illegible] [illegible] A.Bp of the Province, his Grace the A.Bp of York, as Lord Almoner, and the Lord [illegible] Bishops of the [illegible] [illegible] of the Majesty's Chapel, humbly desiring them [illegible]

[illegible] should be recommended to [illegible]
[illegible] of Plays now, and a Regulation of them hereafter. That Mr [illegible]
producing the Eleventh Volume of A. B. Tillotsons Sermons, and out of Sermon XI. upon
V. Ephes. 29. read the two Paragraphs in pagg. 320. & 321. against Plays, the Committee
agreed that the said Paragraphs might be forthwith Printed & Dispersed amongst Ladies of
Quality, &c. with very good Effect. Also that at the Bottom of the same Paper,
a Quere may be put, whether the Acting The Tempest upon the next ~~Tuesday~~ Wednesday after the
late dreadful Storm, at the New Play-house in Little-Lincolns-Inn-Fields, was Proper
or Seasonable? To which Report the Society Agreed.

1. Agreed that Mr Nelson & Mr Melmoth, be desired to draw up Reasons to this Effect,
and that they with ~~lay them before and shew them to the Ld. Bp. of Chichester~~, Sr John Philipps & Coll.
Colchester, ~~with all speed~~ do shew them to the L. Bp. of Chichester on Monday Morning
~~morning~~ next at ten a clock. and that the time & manner of Presenting the said Reasons, be refer'd to the
Lord Bp of Chichester, Mr Nelson & Mr Melmoth.

5. Mr Hare producing a paper from the Committee ~~enquir~~ appointed to inspect the Blind
Soldier, and Mr Shute's Report concerning the same person being ~~[illegible]~~ desired,

6. Agreed that this Matter be referr'd to the next Meeting, and that Mr Shute be desired to
Attend.

7. The Agents for Schools being called in,

8. Mr Shute Reported that there is now almost 20lb and subscribed toward the School at
Brentford.

9. ~~Coll Colchester~~ Mr Brewster & Mr Edwards, Reported that the Committee which met at Vigers's Coffee house had drawn up a
Clause to be inserted into a Bill now about to brought into the House of Commons for the En-
couragement of Sea-men.

10. Agreed that Mr Brewster be desired to ~~speak to~~ intreat Sr Humfrey Mackworth &
Mr Comyns to take Care that the said Clause be accordingly inserted into the Bill.

~~Mr Shute producing~~

11. Agreed that the Committee which met at Vigers's Coffee-house, do meet there again upon
the same Affair, on Saturday next by ten a Clock.

12. Mr Shute producing a Written Report concerning the Houses offer'd to this Society by
Mr Yeates Friend. Order'd that the Secretary do take a dozen Copies of it.

13. A Letter was read from Mr Franck to Mr Shute, ~~acknowledging~~ with Thanks from some
of the Clergy of Bedfordshire for the Societies Care ~~of~~ in the Draught of Settlement of the Library
of Bedford, and proffering the Society a Copie of the said Draught, which he thought might
be of use to their Correspondents, upon the like Occasion; whereupon Mr Edwards under-
took to cause it to be transcribed.

14. Mr Shute Read a Letter from Mr Hughes the Charity-Schoolmaster at Kil[illegible]
~~[illegible]~~ signifying that he has 26 Scholars, & a prospect of a flourishing School.

A Letter was read from Mr Fenwick of [illegible]

[illegible] 1703.

[illegible] the Lord Bp. of [illegible], Mr Lloyd, Mr Shute, Mr Mason & Mr [illegible] Sr John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmoth, Mr Bromfield, Mr Edwards, [illegible] Mr [illegible]

The Lord Bp. of ~~[illegible]~~ Chester in the absence of Coll. Colchester,

1. Mr Shute Reported that Mr Downing the Printer had assur'd him that the Prime Cost of Printing the Translation of Madam Guion's Book amounted to 12£: that he by selling some few Copies and some sent in to this Society had rec'd 3£, the remaing Copies he is willing to burn, or dispose of any way, as the Society shall think fit.

~~Order'd that the Treasurer do give Mr Downing 2 Guineas as an ~~by way of~~ allowance towards his Loss by the Impression: Mr Downing giving him sufficient Assurance that no more Copies of it shall be dispers'd, & that he will not reprint it nor for the future meddle with such like Heterodox books.~~

2. Mr Downing Attending, he was Call'd in, and ask'd divers Questions touching his Printing the said Book: He own'd that upon the first Notice he had that this Treatise was likely to give a Disgust, he Cancell'd the Title Page which had his Name to it, & Printed another wherein it was omitted: that the Translator of it, (one Mr Keith) had promis'd to indemnify him as to the Charge in case it should not sell: That he had deliver'd 60 Copies to him; & therefore could not promise that another person should not reprint it elsewhere. Whereupon, after the Society agreed (after several Caution's given him) to meddle no farther about it.

3. Sr John Philipps Moved the Society to Consider if a Quarterly-Meeting of all the Members of this Society might not be held, where they might dine together, in Order to the promoting a more ~~an~~ Intimate ~~[illegible]~~ ~~& Affection towards~~ with one another

4. Order'd that a Committee be appointed to Consider of the Time & Place of such Meetings, & of the Regulation of them; and that Sr John Philipps, Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, Mr Lloyd, Mr Seaman, Mr Edwards, Mr Shute, or any three of them be that Committee: and they to meet this night at 8 a clock.

5. Mr Brewster acquainted the Society that Mr Nelson has lately publish'd a Book Entituled A Companion for the Festivals & Fasts of the Church of England, and that in the Preface to it, he has made very honorable Mention of the Religious Societies, & Vindicated them from ~~the~~ some ~~the~~ Objections made against them: And the Book being produced the Paragraphs relating thereunto were Read, Whereupon ~~the Society~~

6. Resolved that the hearty Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Nelson for the Composing & Printing his said Excellent Treatise, and particularly for what was now Read, and that Sr John Philipps & Mr Brewster be desired to acquaint him with the same.

7. Mr Masson acquainted the Society, that Mr Ostervald had written to him, that the Pacquet of his Catechism's which he sent to the Society, was taken & suppress'd by the Emperors Commissioners for the Receipt of his Customs, on the ~~front~~ Borders of Switzerland, and that he would gladly re[illegible] a few Copies of the Translations from hence.

Resolved that a [illegible] of a hundred of the Translations of Mr Ostervald's Catechism [illegible] [illegible] in Turkey Leather, the Rest in [illegible] [illegible] of this Society the Composition of a New Liturgy for the Whole year after the [illegible] of the Service of the Church of England; that it has been approv'd by the Government there, and began to be Celebrated in the publick & Ordinary manner there, as he supposes, in the Month of October last.

10. ~~Mr Melmoth~~ Sr John Philipps Reported from the Committee who were appointed to Meet at Squire's Coffee-house, that they had Met accordingly, and waited on the Lord Bp. of Chichester, where two Representations against the Playhouses, (the one written by ~~himself~~ Mr Melmoth, the other by Mr Nelson) were Produced, & with some Amendments Agreed to. That one of them is deliver'd to the Lord A.Bp of Canterbury, the other (he having before been applied to by Mr Nelson [illegible]) sent enclosed in a Letter of Sr Humfrey Mackworth's to the A.Bp of York, and that Mr Comyns will undertake to Send or Present a Copie of that drawn up by Mr Melmoth to the Lord Bp. of London, as soon as he can conveniently. And both the said Representations being Read,

11. Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Melmoth & Mr Nelson, & the other Gentlemen of this Committee for their Trouble given them upon this Occasion.

Order'd that the Treasurer do reimburse the said Gentlemen the charges they have been at in this Affair.

13. Resolved that it be a Standing Order of this Society, that what ~~Money~~ charges any Member or Members of this Society shal be at in Promoting the Designs or Carrying on the Business of this Society, by the Directions thereof; shall be reimbursed by the Society.

14 Order'd that the Secretary do for the future add this Resolution to the Printed Paper of the Standing Orders & Resolutions of this Society.

15. Agree'd that the Printing of the 2 Paragraph's out of A.Bp Tillotson's Sermon, about Plays, be deferr'd till the Society have ~~the Arch Bps~~ an Answer from the Arch Bps, and Bp of London, touching the Representations layd before them

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Thursday the 30 December. 1703.

Present. Mr Shute, Coll Colchester, Sr John Philipps, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Brewster, Mr Stubs, Mr Melmoth, Mr Bromfield, Mr Edwards, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Dr Slare,

Coll. Colchester in the Chair.

1 Agreed that a Committee be Appointed to Inspect the Printed Account of the Workhouse, at Bristol, and the other Accounts of the same nature, in Order to the drawing up a new Paper, from them all;

2. Agreed that Mr Comyns, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, Coll Colchester, Sr John Philipps, Mr Bromfield, Dr Slare, Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, or any three of them be this Committee, and that they meet at Mr Brewster's Chambers, on Wednesday next by 3 a clock.

3 The Secretary producing a dozen Copies of the Report deliver'd in from the Committee appointed to [illegible] the Affair concerning the Houses offer'd to this Society by Mr Yeats's Friend, they were distributed [illegible] among Members who are sent to the Gentlemen of the Long Robe; And the Society Agreed to desire the same Committee [illegible] again at Mr Brewster's on Wednesday next at 3 a clock and set a Selling Price upon the Houses.

4 Mr Edwards deliver'd in the Original Receipt of [illegible] of the Library at [illegible] (having [illegible] of it) and Mr Carter was order'd to Transmit it to Mr Francke by the first Opportunity.

[illegible] Meeting, and that they would bring in [illegible]

Agreed that Sr Humfrey Mackworth be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

7. Sr John Philipps Reported from the Committee appointed to Consider about a Quarterly Meeting of the Residing Members of this Society, in Order to promote a more Intimate Acquaintance with one another: that the Committee was of Opinion, that such a Quarterly Meeting would answer the End proposed: that the Meeting might be held conveniently at Mr [illegible] house in Howard street: That the Charge of each Meeting should not exceed Half a Crown a Head; and that the first Meeting might be upon [illegible]day fortnight. The Society Agreed to this Report, except the last particular, which they Order'd to be farther Consider'd at next Meeting.

8. A Motion being made to the Society for giving one of Mr Nelson's ~~[illegible]~~ Companion for the Festivals & Fasts to each of the Religious Societies in this City:

9. Resolved that this be taken into Consideration at next Meeting.

10. Order'd that the Secretary do bring a short Account of it, to the next Meeting.

11. Agreed that Mr Stubs be desired to draw up the Querie about to be added to the ~~[illegible]~~ Citation out of A. B. Tillotson's Sermon about Plays.

12. Order'd that two of Mr Nelson's books, well bound in Calf, be bought & sent to Mr Ostervald with the Translations of his Catechism.

13. Dr Slare producing two Papers or Certificates concerning the real Blindness of Francis Talbot the Soldier formerly mentioned.

14. Agreed that an Account of the whole Matter be drawn up, in Order to be Communicated to the World in Print, which upon the Society's Desire, Mr Stubs undertook to do.

15. Order'd that the Secretary write to the Lords the BPs who are Members of this Society, to the Lord Guilford, to Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Comyns, ~~&~~ Mr Nelson & Dr Bray, to apply to the Governor of Chelsea College, that the said Francis Talbot may be receiv'd into the College, and so remain a Standing Instance of Almighty Gods Just Judgment in ~~[illegible]~~ the Infliction of so terrible a Punishment upon him.

St Dunstans Vestry

Thursday. 6. January, 1703/4.

Present, the Lord BP. of Chester, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Trymmer, Mr Chamberlayne, Coll Colchester, Mr Edwards, Mr Whiston & Mr Newman Correspondents, Mr Brewster, Dr Slare, Dr Bray, Mr Melmoth, Mr Hoare, Mr Stubs, Sr Humfrey Mackworth,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, being deputed by Sr H. Mackworth

1. A Debate arising about the Subject of Play-houses, a Paper written against them, was deliver'd in by Dr Bray, which he said, he thought might be of use to the Society; and the Paper being read, Agreed that it be revis'd this Night, by a Committee, in Order to be printed: and that Mr Shute, Mr Whiston, Mr Stubs, Sr John Philipps, Mr Melmoth, or any two of them be this Committee, and they to adjust the number to be Printed & Order it to the Press.

[illegible] that 200 Copies of Mr Collier's Letter or Dissuasive from Play-houses be bought [illegible] next Meeting.

[illegible] Mr [illegible] & Mr [illegible] were Approved as Residing Members, and Mr Melmoth to desire [illegible]

[illegible] acquainting the Society that the [illegible] Messenger, being also Messenger to the Reformation-Society, and finding the business of both Societies to interfere, so that he was not able to serve both Societies as he ought, did desire to be discharged: And he being call'd in, said the same: Whereupon the Society left it to Mr Treasurer to find out a new Messenger, upon the same Salary of 10£ per an.

6. Mr Whiston reported the Progress of the Charity Schools set up in Cambridge, and promising a full account of the same in Writing upon his Return thither: The Society gave him their Thanks, for his great Zeal & Pains in that Affair.

7. Mr Stubs acquainted the Society that (in pursuance of a request made to him by the Society) he had moved the Society of the London-Divines at their Monthly Meeting in ~~his Lodgings~~ Sion-College to preach against the Play-houses upon the Next Fast-day, and that they have ~~all~~ promised so to do: Whereupon the Society return'd him their hearty Thanks for the same.

8. Agreed that the Treasurer do pay Mr Cart 5s as a gratuity from the Society, when he shall instructed the New Messenger, in the Method of collecting the Subscriptions, &c.

9. Mr Stubs told the Society, that his Clerk & Sexton, who had part of the Societies allowance to his Servants, were very thankful for the same.

10. Agreed that the Next Quarterly Meeting be held on Thursday the 27th Instant, and that the Secretary do notify it to the Residing Members.

11. Dr Hare moving the Society to allow some Subsistence to Francis Talbot, in case he should be turn'd out of St Bartholomew's Hospital, before he can be ~~bee~~ admitted into Chelsea College; the Society Agreed to it.

Thursday. 13 January. 1703/4. St Dunstans Quest-house,

Present Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Melmoth, Dr Hare, Mr Hodges, Mr Edwards, Mr Bromfield, Mr Jenner, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Coll. Colchester, Sr John Philipps, Mr Lloyd, Mr Hoare.

Mr Melmoth in the Chair, Sr H. Mackworth being absent.

1. Mr Melmoth Reported ~~that~~ from the Committee who were appointed to put a Selling Price upon the Houses Given to the Society by Mr Yeates Friend: that they had not yet [illegible] the Matter into Consideration; and that Mr Serjt Hook told them, that a Friend of his once proffer'd 8 years Purchase for them, but afterwards fell to 7 years Purchase.

2. Order'd that the Secretary do wait on Mr Serjt. Hook, and acquaint him that the Society, is willing to let his Friend have them at his last offer of 7 years purchase if he cannot get more.

3. Agreed that the Committee Appointed to Inspect the [illegible] do meet here this day sennight, by 3 a clock, upon the same Affair.

4. The Agents for Schools being call'd in.

5. Mr Skate Reported that 10£ per annum is Subscribed towards the Charity-School at Spittle-fields.

6. Mr Michel Reported that there has been lately Collected above 70£ at S. Margaret's Westminster, for the Grey-Coat-Hospital, [illegible] Church for the [illegible]

[illegible] Charity-School [illegible] Princes

[illegible] The Minute about furnishing the Religious Societies with Mr Nelson's Companion for [illegible] Festivals & Fasts being taken into Consideration.

Agreed that the Treasurer do deliver a Copie, to the Stewards of each of the Religious Societies, at their next Quarterly Meeting.

Dr Slare deliver'd in a Paper, certifying that Francis Talbot does now begin to recover his ~~Blind~~ sight, after a Total Blindness, and could this day discern his (the Drs) Face & Eies, but double as before he became quite blind. Whereupon the Society agreed to respite their Proceedings about him. (~~Mr Shute has the Paper~~)

Sr John Philipps desiring some of the Societies Books & Papers, he being about to return into Wales: the Treasurer was Order'd to furnish him.

Some of The Paper about Play-houses which was Order'd to the Press last week, being laid before the Society.

Order'd that one of these Papers, & one of Mr Colliers Letters be put into the New Packet.

Order'd that half a dozen of the former, & one of the latter, be sent to each of the Lay Members ~~of the Society~~, & a dozen to each of the Divines of this Society.

Ordered that a Letter be written to them certifying them, where they may have more Gratis, if wanted.

Sr John Philipps producing a Printed Paper entituled a Short Account of the Impieties & Immorality of the Stage; 500 of them were Order'd to be bought, & sent with the others, six to the Lay Gentlemen & twelve to the Divines of this Society.

Order'd that the Messenger do disperse 200 of the Letters to a Lady, & some of the Short Accounts at 100 of the Principal Coffee-houses, ~~2 to each Coffee-house and as many of the Short Accounts~~

Thursday. 20. January. 1703/4

Present, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Edwards, Sr Edm. Turner, Mr Stubs, Colt Colchester, Mr Andrews, Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, Mr Bromfield, Mr Seaman, Mr Lloyd, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Mills a Correspondent,

Mr Stubs in the Chair, Sr Hum. Mackworth being absent.

Mr Shute presented John Carter, Son of Wm Carter, to the Society as their new Messenger, who was approved by the Society.

Ordered that the New Packet (with 6 of the Letters to a Lady & as many of the Representations of the Impieties of the Stage, with 2 of Mr Collier's Dissuasives,) be sent to each of the Correspondents, as soon as may be.

Agreed that Mr Treasurer may buy or Print as many of these Papers as he shall find necessary for this purpose.

The Agents for Schools being called in,

Mr Mitchel Reported the present State of the School at Brentford, where the School-master having subsisted upon private Allowances hitherto, was run 5li in debt. Whereupon the Society promised to ensure this 5li to be paid, ~~when~~ after some time they shall call for it.

Agreed that the Quarterly Meeting be deferr'd to this day Fortnight.

Mr Brewster Reported from Mr A. D. Kennett, that the Ld Bp. of Sarum & his Lady have settled 10li p anno upon the Charity-School at Clerkenwell.

Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be Returned to both the Lords the Archbishops & the Ld Bp of London for their laying the Representations of this Society against the Playhouses before her Majesty, and that Sr Hum: Mackworth, Mr Comyns, ~~Mr Colt~~ Coll Colchester, Mr Melmoth, & Mr Lloyd, or any of them, be desired to Attend them with the same.

A Letter was Read from Mr Ludolf at Copenhagen.

Thursday. 27 January. 1703/4.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Moore & Mr Shirmy Correspondents, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, Mr Meller, Dr Bray, Mr Hoare, Coll Colchester, Mr Shibs, the Ld Bp. of Worcester, Mr Lloyd, Mr Edwards, Mr Seaman, Mr Newman a Correspondent,

Mr Nelson in the Chair, Sr Humfrey Mackworth being absent.

Mr Shute Reported that Mr Serjt Hooke's Client was now unwilling to buy the houses given to this Society by Mr Yates Friend: whereupon Mr Melmoth was desired to treat with a Client of his, who had made some offers about them.

Order'd that the Committee appointed to inspect the Bristoll Account, do meet here this day Fortnight by 3 a clock upon the same affair.

Order'd that ~~the~~ two of the New Packets ~~be~~ and one of the Common Packets be transmitted to Mr Gibson of Welbourne.

A Letter was Read from Dr Chetwood to Mr Chamberlayne, wherein he desires that two Tracts, (the one larger & more accurate, the other smaller & more popular) may be written against Gaming. ~~(Stansfold in Bedfordshire)~~

Agreed that Dr Chetwood be a Corresponding Member of this Society, and that with the Thanks of this Society for his Letter, he be desired to draw up the said Treatises, ~~the Society will be willing to print at their Charge, he putting his Name thereto~~

Mr Melmoth acquainting the Society that the 9th Occasional Paper about the Danger of going to Plays, is out of Print, and that the Bookseller is willing to Reprint it, in case he can be assured that 100 Copies will be taken off his hands: the Society agreed to take off that number, when it shall be Reprinted

Order'd that at the next Meeting a Committee be appointed to inspect the List of Correspondents, in order to revive & extend the Correspondence.

The Agents for Schools being call'd in,

Mr Keate Reported that the Charity-School at Spittle-Fields is about to be Open'd, and being Subscribed thereto; and he having Order'd some Forms & other Necessaries to be bought for it, to 40s value, he mov'd the Society to allow it.

The Agents moving the Society for some of the Letters to a Lady, against Play-houses, the Treasurer was order'd to furnish them; and they were invited to the Society's Dinner on Thursday next.

The Society taking into Consideration the time & Manner of their Dinner on this day Sennight, Agreed that it should be had at 3 a clock, that the absent Members should be Summon'd to it, and that Mr Brewster, Mr Hoare, & Mr Melmoth, should be Stewards.

A Letter was Read from Mr Love, with an inclosed Paper ~~and~~ or Proposal for the Erection of Charity Schools at Yarmouth. (Mr Shute has it)

A Letter was Read from Mr Hales dated from Berlin 11th Dec. 1703. to Mr Chamberlayne (the Bp. of Worcester has it)

Thursday. February 3. 1703/4. Mr Ibbott's house.

Present, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Andrews, Mr Bromfield, Mr Yeaman, Mr Edwards, Mr Shute, Coll. Colchester, Dr Bray, Mr Hoare, Mr Nelson, Mr Meller, Dr Hare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Serjt. Hooke, Mr Jenner, Dr Manningham, Mr Gerard, Dr Mapletoft, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Trymmer, Sr Wm Husker, the Ld. Bp. of Chester, Mr Dean of Chichester, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester, Mr Cotton, the Ld. Guilford, Mr Hodges, Mr Coulrie, Mr Vickers; Mr More, Mr Shermy, Mr Newman Correspondents. Mr Michell & Mr Shute the Agents. The Ld. Bp. of Worcester, Sr George Wheeler, Mr Lloyd, & Mr Noodle sent their Excuses.
The Lord Bp. of Chichester in the Chair.

Mr Melmoth acquainted the Society, that one of their Members is willing to advance the Money ~~to~~ which they are indebted in; on condition that ~~they~~ he shall be reimbursed when the Society shall have sold ~~Mr Ye~~ the houses given by Mr Yeates Friend.

Agreed that this Proposal be accepted; that Mr Melmoth be desired to return him the Thanks of the Society for the same; and that the Treasurer do apprise him of the Particulars & receive the Money.

~~Resolv'd that it be that after this Debt be discharged; that this Society will never engage in any~~ Resolv'd that this Gentleman be reimburs'd immediatly after the sale of the said Houses, or sooner if it can be.

~~Resolved~~ that it be ~~for the future a~~ Standing Order of this Society, that (after this Debt is discharg'd) this Society will never ingage in any Act of Charity, unless the Money necessary for defraying it be already due to the Society. ~~be actually in the Treasurer's Hands.~~

Resolv'd that this Society will not Order any Money to be paid by the Treasurer, unless it be actually in his Hands.

Sr Edmund Turner ~~pro~~ laid before the Society a Copie of a Clause in the last Will of Josiah Bacon of London Merchant, deceas'd, dated 4th October 1703, whereby he Orders a Sum not exceeding 700li for building a Charity-School in the Parish of St Mary Magdalen Bermondsey, and 150li per ann. to a Schoolmaster & Usher to teach a number of Children (from 40 to 60) to Read English, Write, & Cast Account. Which being read was Order'd to be Communicated to the Agents for Schools.

Mr Baeth was Approv'd for a Residing Member, & Mr Melmoth with Mr Jenner to desire his Attendance.

Agreed that the Ld. Bp. of Chichester be desir'd to continue in the Chair, during this Month.

Mr Shute Reported from Dr Manningham, that the Chaplain of the Ship Ranelagh had Applyed to him for some of the Societies Books & Papers, which he would distribute amon the Seamen therein: whereupon the Society Order'd the Treasurer to furnish him with a pcel, the Value not exceeding 20 shillings.

A Letter was read from the Revd. Mr Urmston Chaplain to the English Factory at Archang & dated the last of September 1703, to Mr Stubs, acknowledging the Receipt of the Books sent thither by this Society, & desiring some more; which the Society Agreed to, & the Lord Bp. of Chichester was pleas'd to promise to send him, 50 of his Catechisms. ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Urmston wrote also, that the Czar has lately Erected Charity Schools, for the teaching of Poor Children, in all the Great Towns of his Dominions.

Mr Stubs also Reported that he had distributed the New Testaments allow'd by the Society among the French Prisoners ~~in~~ by the Tower, with good Effect; whereupon the Society desired him to distribute two New Testaments more amongst them.

The Secretary Reported that the Lord Bp. of Worcester had promised to show Mr Hales's Letter Read at the last Meeting to Baron Spanheim the K. of Prussia's Minister here, & ~~engage~~ prevail with him to recommend him to the King his Master.

Mr Shute Reported that the Ch: School at Kilmersdon in Somersetshire ~~[illegible]~~ goes on prosperously, there being 40 Children taught therein, whereof 32 are very good proficients.

Thursday. 10.[illegible] February. 1703/4. St. Dunstans Questhouse.

Present, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Shermy a Correspondent, Mr Meller, Mr Melmoth, Mr Bromfield, Mr Grabe a Correspondent, Dr Slare, Coll Colchester, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Mr Edw Mr Brewster, Mr Cotton,

The Ld. Bp. of Chichester in the Chair.

Order'd that the Committee appointed to inspect the Bristoll Account, &c. do meet here this day Fortnight by 3 a clock, upon that Affair.

Order'd that this day sennight a Committee be Appointed to revise the List of Correspondents,

Dr Slare acquainted the Society that Francis Talbot has now almost recover'd his former Sight again, and that he ~~will~~ Attend without, if the Society ~~has~~ have any Questions to ask

Whereupon he being Called in, the Ld. Bp. of ~~Worcester~~ Chichester asked him divers Questions, touching his former ~~Blindness~~ Life, & how he became Blind, &c. he owned the Theft, & his Impre tions upon it, which he believed did bring the Judgment of Blindness upon him; his Lordship gave him good Advice, & exhorted him who was a Monument of the Almighty's ~~Justice~~ Mercy as well as his ~~Mercy~~ Justice to refrain from all Practises for the future lest a worse thing should come upon him. And Mr Shute at his going away gave him about 15 or 16 shillings w the Society rais'd among themselves for his Relief.

Thursday. 17 Febr: 1703/4

Present Lord Guilford Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Edwards, Mr Chamberlayne Mr Bromfield, Dr Slare, Mr Brewster

Mr Bulstrode in the Chair
the Ld Bp of Chichester being absent.

Mr Skeat one of the Agents reports that there was a School opend in Spittlefields last Munday; that there was 25ll subscrib'd towards the same, & that there were 24 Girls in the sd School.

Order'd that the Secretary do wait on Mr Yeates and desire him to move his Friend that the Society may have leave to Receive the Rent of those Houses given by him, till a Chapman can be found to Purchage them.

Order'd that the great Benefaction of Mr Bacon mention'd in the Minutes of the 7th Febr. ~~be mention~~ be inserted in the New Acct of Charity Schools, and that the Secretary do hasten the Publishing of the sd Acct.

Agreed that Mr Urmston Chaplain to the English Factory t Archangel be a Corresponding Member of the Society.
Order'd that Mr Stubs do acquaint him with the same.
Resolv'd that Mr Urmstons letter to Mr Stubs be read t the next Meeting.

rder'd that a Parcel of the Societys Books & Papers not ceeding the value of 10l be deliver'd (upon the Motion of Shute) to Mr Charles Smith vicar of Ashelworth in cestershire in order to be distributed among his Parishioners.

Agreed that the List of Correspondents be consider'd of at the next Meeting between the reading of the first and second days Minutes.

Thursday. 24 Febr: 170$\frac{3}{4}$

Present the Ld Bp of Chichester, Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, Mr Sturmy a Correspondent, Coll: Colchester, Mr Edwards, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Salmon a Correspondent, Dr Slare, Mr Andrews, Dr Hutchinson a Correspondent, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmoth, Mr Daeth,

Ld Bp of Chichester in the Chair.

Ordered that the Comittee to whom the consideration of the Bristol Acct &c, was refer'd, ~~be for the adjournd~~ till this day fortnight

Order'd that the Secretary do sumon the same Gentle=men that were of that Comittee to meet ~~here~~ at 3 a clock on ~~Thursd~~ this day fortnight.

Agreed that Mr Francis Stevens Rector of Welburn in Lincolnshire be a Correspondent for that County being propos'd by Mr Edwards.

The Consideration of the Minute of relating to the List of Correspondents being resumed, Agreed that the Secretary do wait on the Lords the Bishops that are Members of this Society forthwith, & shew them the List of the present Correspondents and desire their Lordships to Recomend proper Persons for those great Towns and Counties in their Dioceses, where the Society has no Correspondence

Order'd that the Secretary do prepare a List of all the Counties & chief Towns in England & Wales leaving a blank for the names of the Correspondents, & do bring it to next Meeting in order to be printed for the use of the Members.

Agreed that the Ld Bp of Chichester be desired to ocey. the Chair for the ensuing Month.

The Treasurer reported that he had received the 5 Guineas Advanced by Mr Uetrouths Friend &c.

Also that ~~he~~ he had received a Benefaction of li s d 1-1-6 from the Reverend Dr Hutchinson.

Thursday. 2 March. 1703/4.

Present. Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, Mr Andrews, Mr Edwards, Mr Hoare, Mr Bromfield, Coll Colchester, Mr Nelson, Dr Slare

Mr Stubs in the Chair, the Ld Bp of Chichester being absent.

The Agents for Schools being called in,

Mr Skate Reported that the Charity-School at Spittle-fields has now 30 Girls taught therein, and that the Subscriptions thereunto do amount to 28li p ann.

Mr Shute acquainting the Society that Mr Lloyd (before he went into the Country) desired some of their Books & Papers to distribute in his Parish.

Orderd that the Tre do furnish him with a Parcell, the value not exceeding 30 shillings.

Coll Colchester moving the Society for some of the Societies Books & Papers to Distribute in 3 Charity-Schools in the Country, the Treasurer was Orderd to furnish him with a Parcel, the value not exceeding 20 Shillings.

Mr Nelson acquainted the Society, that he had recd a letter from Sr John Philipps wherein he proposes the Erection of a like Workhouse in the Liberty of Westminster, as has been Erected in the City of London, he being of opinion that the same Act of Parliamt which impowerd the City of London to set up such a Workhouse, extends also ~~it~~ to the Liberty of Westminster;

Agreed that Mr Edwards be desired to inspect the Statutes concerning this Matter, and that he make his Report at next Meeting.

A Letter was Read from Mr A. D. Chetwood, accepting the Correspondence.

Thursday. 9 March. 1703/4

Present Mr Shute, Mr Bromfield, Mr Seaman, Mr Jenner, the Secretary: who adjourn'd to this day sennight.

Thursday. 16. March. 1703/4

Present Mr Shute, Mr Lewis a Correspondent, Coll Colchester, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Manningham, Mr Meller, Mr Jenner, Mr Melmoth, Mr Edwards, Mr Brewster, Mr Melmoth, Mr Loveband, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Sr Ric Bulkeley & Mr Sherny Correspondents.

Mr Meller in the Chair the Ld. Bp. of Chichester being absent

The Committee appointed to inspect the Bristol account, &c. not attending Order'd that the same Gentlemen be again summon'd to meet here this day sennight, at three a clock upon the same Affair.

The Secretary produceing a double List of all the Great Towns in England & Wales,

Order'd that the Secretary do bring a Printed Specimen of it to the next Meeting.

The Secretary acquainting the Society that there is a likelyhood of obtayning 40li per annum, either to this Society, or to the Corporation for propagating the Gospell in Foreign Parts: Twas Order'd that Mr Melmoth Mr Edwards & the Secretary should meet at the Rainbow Coffee house on Tuesday next at 5 a Clock, & go to the Parties concern'd, in Order to make a farther Report at next Meeting.

Order'd that the Messenger do follow the Secretaries Directions in all Matters relating to the Business of the Society.

Mr Tanner the Chancellor of Norwich having written for a Considerable Parcel of Books & Papers (to be paid for) the Society Order'd 200 of the Sheets concerning the Obligations to shun Vice & Immorality to be presented to him, there being near 2000 of them in the Treasurers hands, & none to be bought elsewhere.

The Secretary produced a Letter from Mr Yate, who say's that his Friend is desirous to make an Assignment to the Society of the 6 Houses in Glocester Court, upon their discharging him of his Covenants, in Order to the Societies receiving the Rents of the Houses as soon as they please.

Order'd that the farther Consideration of this Matter be ajourn'd to the next Meeting & that the Secretary do summon the Absent Members to attend.

Mr Palmer of Chelsea was approv'd as a Residing Member, & Mr [illegible] to desire his Attendance.

6 The Secretary producing the Printed Paper of Schools as Amended according to Order, and also the Additions to the List of Charity-Schools: they were deliver'd to Mr Edwards for his farther Consideration.

Thursday. 23. March. 1703/4.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Bulstrode, Dr Slare, Mr Andrews, the Secretary: Mr Edwards, Mr Jenner Mr Shute Mr Hoare, Mr Shermy a Correspondent, Mr Trymer, Mr Grabe a Correspondent. Mr Nevill, Mr Brewster,

Mr Bulstrode in the Chair, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester being absent.

Mr Edwards Reported that he had Inspected the Statutes mention'd in the Minutes of the 2d Instant, and that he found that they do extend to the Liberty of ~~[illegible]~~ Westmr.

Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne & Mr Michel (two of the Agents for Schools) be desired to give the Society a List of such Persons names, as they suppose will be willing to be Commissioners for the Erection of a new Workhouse in or Near Westmr.

Agreed that Mr Jenner be desired to Inspect the Accounts of the Work-houses set up at Bristol & other places, and that he do make an Abstract of all ~~as to matter of fact~~ for the perusal of the Society as soon as he can conveniently. ~~can~~

The Secretary made a farther Report concerning the 40£ p ann (being a Farm called Graves Farm in Great Gransden, in Huntingdon shire) left to Charitable uses by the Revd. Mr Barnabas Oley deceas'd, and that by the Tenor of the Will, it seems most proper for the promoting the Designs of the Corporation Society for propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts: Also that Mr Rock of the Temple has the Will & all the other Writings in his hands, which he is willing to shew to any that shall be sent to him for this purpose.

Agreed that Mr Melmoth & Mr Edwards be desired to go to Mr Rock, & inspect the said Writings, in Order to the making a farther Report at next Meeting.

The Agents for Schools, being call'd in ~~Mr Gardiner~~ Reported that they ~~Agents~~ had been at Ware, to ~~propose the erecting~~ receive the Inhabitants Answer to their Proposal of Erecting a Charity School there, upon the houses design'd to be given thereunto by Mr Noel, (which are of 18£ a year Value) but that the Parishioners did not think fit to comply with it.

Also that the Charity given to St Sepulchres Parish by Mr Reeve deceas'd, is now settled, in favor of the Parish.

Agreed that Dr Slare be desired to move Mr Noel, to give the above mention'd houses to this Society.

The Secretary produced a Printed Specimen of the double List of the Great Towns, &c in England & Wales, It was order'd to be farther Consider'd when Coll. Colchester is present.

Mr Shute acquainted the Society that one Mr Aldrich in the name of a friend had been with him about buying the houses given by Mr Yates friend, & that he offers 60£ for them. ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Shute was desired with him, & to see how much more can be gotten for them; and the Secretary was Or certify Mr Yeats that the Society is about the sale of them, & hope soon to Indemni fie his Friend, and will apply the money accruing thereby according to his pious Intention. And that his pleasure is desir'd to be known, whether an Advertisement concerning ~~may be~~ them may be inserted into the News Papers.

The Secretary acquainting the Society that he has many Letters & Papers to read; Order'd that they be read at next Meeting. ~~[illegible]~~

Thursday. 30. March. 1704.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Shibs, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards, Mr Jenner, Mr Brewster, Mr Bromfield, Mr Hoare, Mr Melmoth,

Mr Edwards in the Chair, ~~[illegible]~~ the Dr Bp of Chichester being ab

(1) Mr Treasurer acquainting the Society that there is a want of some of Dr Brays Baptismal Covenants; ~~he~~ he was Order'd to buy an hundred of them.

(2) Mr Shibs moving the Society for some of their Papers to be dispers'd by the Ministers of Whitford, Ingo-stow, &c. near Chelmsford in Essex: the Treasurer was Order'd to furnish him with 3 Packets, their value, in all, not exceeding 15 shillings. ~~value~~.

(3) Mr Shibs shewing the great Inconveniences ~~of~~ happening to divers Members, who come at the usual hour, ~~&~~ have tarried very long before there was a Quorum, to enter upon the Business of the Society.

(4) Agreed that if there be not a Quorum by five a clock, there shall be no busines done for that time.

(5) Resolved that this be a Standing Order of the Society.

Mr Shibs Reported that he has visited Mr Rock, that he has seen the Will of Mr and that Mr Rock has desired him to mention ~~this~~ the Affair to the Society for Propaga the Gospel in Foreign Parts, he desiring that the Estate may be vested in them for th

Mr Edwards related that he has a friend who will give 70£ for the Houses given to this Society by Mr Yeats's friend.

A Letter was Read from Mr Hales at Berlin, dated 23 Febr. 1703/4 to Mr Chamberlayne, wherein he certifies his dispersing the Soldier's Monitor amongst the Soldiers in Garrison there; his pro curing it to be recommended ~~by it~~ to the K. of Prussia, who is likely to ~~cause~~ cause it to be dis buted ~~to~~ amongst all ~~his~~ his Soldiers: his obtaining a promise of ~~the~~ the Prince of Saxe-G to recommend it to the K. of Sueden; & of some Moscovite Gentlemen to do the same the Czar.

Mr Hales also sent over a little Tract entituled Essais de quelques Exercises de Dev drawn up by Monsieur ~~[illegible]~~ Jaquelot a French Man, which if approved by our English Divi the K. of Prussia will introduce it into his own Chappel, & all the Reformed Churches his Dominions.

Agreed that Dr Manningham be desired to peruse the said Treatise, & that
~~[illegible]~~ give his Opinion of it at next Meeting.

Mr Hales also mention'd his sending over a Transcript of the Instructions to be
by the Preceptors to the Czar's son, and desired the Names of some good Authors to recommend to him, which was order'd to be consider'd at Next Meeting.

The Translation also of an Account drawn up by Monsr. Wrackowitz a Lithuanian & sent by Mr Hales, was read, concerning the deplorable Estate of the Protestant Religion in Lithuania & Samogitia.

A Translation of a Letter from Mr Ostervald at Neufchâtel dated 4 Febry 1704 to Mr Masson was Read, giving an Account of the Liturgy for the whole Year, lately Established there, and which he sent therewith, & was produced;

Order'd that the Secretary do translate it.

The Secretary saying that he has many other Letters, they were refer'd to the next Meeting.

Agreed that Mr Edwards be Chairman for the ensuing Month.

Thursday. 6. April. 1704.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hoare, Mr Neville, the Secretary: Mr Andrews, Mr Bromfield, Mr Shubs, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Melmoth, Mr Newman a Correspondent.

Mr Hoare in the Chair, Mr Edwards being absent.

Agreed that Mr Michel be put in Mind of the List of Names for Comissioners to the intended Workhouse in or near Westminster.

Agreed that Dr Slare be put in mind of moving Mr Neale to give his houses in Warr
this Society.

The Secretary related that he had been with Mr Yate, who having consulted his Friend, seem'd to be of Opinion that the houses in Gloucester Court are worth much more than ha's been offer'd for them: that he is unwilling that any Advertisement should be printed about them; and that he agree's that this Society may receive the Rents, as soon as they are vested in Trustees, whereby he may be indemnified as to his Covenants.

Order'd that at a full Meeting it be Consider'd how to vest these houses in some of the Members of this Society.

Agreed that the Treatise refer'd to Dr Manningham at last Meeting, be put into the Hands of his Grace the Arch-Bp. of Canterbury, together with Mr Hales's last Letter; and that Mr Chamberlayne be desired to present them.

Order'd that the Secretary do desire Mr Grabe to recommend Mr Hales to his Brother
Secretary of State to the K. of Prussia.

Agreed that Mr Neville be desired to speak to the Bp. of Salisbury to recommend Mr
Baron Spanheim, that thus he may be made known to the K. of Prussia.

A Letter was Read from Mr Whiston giving an Account of their Setting up Charity Schools in Cambridge, together with an Abridgement of their Orders, and a Copy of the Agreement for their Erection. He transmitted also their Orders at large, and their new Form of Prayer, both Printed: all which were referr'd to Mr Shute, and he was desired to fit them for the Press, in such Form as he shall think fit.

9. Agreed that after this Meeting is over, the Society be Adjourn'd to this day fortnight.

10. Mr Edwards, who could not attend, sent a Letter, together with a Paper, about the Charity Schools, submitting it to the Correction of the Society before it be Printed: and an Amendment being made, 'twas Ordered to be Printed, & Mr Treasurer to take Care of the Impression.

11. The ~~[illegible]~~ Accounts for Schools being called in,

12. Mr Gardiner Reported ~~that~~ from Dr Slare, that Mr Neale is willing to make a Conveyance of his houses in Ware to this Society, towards carrying on their pious designs, when they please.

13. Mr Mitchell related that they find, at present, several obstacles against the Erection of an Incorporated ~~[illegible]~~ Work-house in Westminster.

14. 'Twas propos'd that there should be a procession of the Poor Children in Whitson-week, on Monday & Tuesday: the Secretary was Ordered to consult Dr Manningham about it, and to Report his Opinion at next Meeting.

15. A Letter was read from Mr Disney of Lincoln, giving an account of the Erection of two Charity Schools there, their hopes of a third; and that the Dean & Chapter will Erect a fourth.

16. A Letter was read from Mr Grave of Lewes, owning the Receipt of 6 of the new Packets.

17. Sr Humfrey Mackworth propos'd again the Erecting of Libraries in Wales, & Mr Shute undertook to draw up proposals for that End.

18. The Secretary saying that many other Letters remain to be read, they were referr'd to the next Meeting.

Thursday. 20 April. 1704.

Present, Sr Edmund Turner, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Mr Edwards, Mr Trueman, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Hoare, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Grabe & Mr Boffray Correspondents, Mr Melmoth, Mr Bromfield, Dr Slare,

Mr Edwards in the Chair.

Dr Manningham Reported that he has perused the Treatise referr'd to him the 30th of March, and that he find's it to be very well drawn up; but that 'tis much more proper for Private Families, or our Religious Societies, than to be read in Churches, ~~[illegible]~~ there being nothing Liturgical in it.

The Minute about recommending some good Books to the Preceptors of the Czar's Son being taken into Consideration, the Society pitch'd upon The Whole Duty of Man, & [illegible] Ethicks, till they consider farther.

Sr Humfrey Mackworth layd before the Society ~~a Draught of a Bill~~ some Clauses for ~~[illegible]~~ Encouraging of ~~[illegible]~~ the Benefactors to Charity-Schools, to be added to the Printed Bill for the better Employment & Settlement of the Poor, that thus it may be consider'd against the next Session of Parliament ~~[illegible]~~ by this means be included in the said Bill [illegible] some Amendments [illegible] And the Thanks of the Society was [illegible]

Thursday. 27. April. 1704.

Present, Dr Manningham, Mr Edwards, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr D'Offray, Mr Grabe Correspondents, the Secretary: Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Neville, Mr Nelson, Dr Slare,

Mr Edwards in the Chair,

1. Agreed that Mr Edwards be desired to draw up an Instrument for Vesting ~~the~~ houses given by Mr Yeate's friend, in some of the Members of this Society.

2. Mr Chamberlayne reported that he had attended his Grace the A.B. of Canterbury, with the Printed Treatise mention'd in the Minutes of the 6th Instant, & Mr Hales's last letter; and that his Grace bad him let Mr Hales & this Society know that he is in hopes that there will be received in Prussia, another Liturgy or Service, drawn up nearer to that of the Church of England than that of Mons.r Jacquelot.

3. Order'd that Mr Downing do not for the future, publish any Paper which he receives from this Society to Print but by the directions thereof.

4. Dr Manningham consented to the meeting of the Poor Children in his Church in Whitsun week, tho' he shall then be at Windsor; and the Agents are thereby at liberty to proceed therein as they shall think fit.

Mr Stubs presented his Proposals for the Erection of Lending Libraries in Wales, to which some Amendments being made, they were Order'd to be farther Consider'd.

The Chaplain of the Ship Ranelagh (mention'd in the Minutes of the 3d of February) desiring (by Dr Manningham) another parcel of the Societies Books & Papers, the former having done much good: The Treasurer was Order'd to send him a parcel, the Value not exceeding 10 shillings.

Sr John Philipps, writing to Mr Shute for a parcel of the Societies Books & Papers, Mr Treasurer was Order'd to send him a parcel whose Value shall not exceed ten shillings.

Mr Treasurer moving that his Accounts may be Audited,

Agreed that Mr Edwards, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hoare, Mr Stubs, Mr Hodges, & Dr Slare, with Mr Treasurer, or any 3 of them, be desired to Audit the same, this day sennight, by 3 a clock.

The Secretary produc'd his Translation of the Service establish'd in the Church of Neufchâtel, which was refer'd to Mr Nelson's perusal.

Mr D'Offray related the Case of Joseph Jonas the Israelite Proselyte, formerly mention'd, which was Order'd to be farther consider'd, in Order to the preparing an account of him, that then the Society may know whether he be a proper Object of their Charity.

Agreed that Mr Nelson be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

The Agents for Schools being Call'd in

Mr Skate Reported that within about a fortnight, there has been bequeathed & given to White-Chapel School the sum of 70l.

Mr Mitchel Reported also, that within the same time, a Gentleman has left 100l to the Workhouse in St Margaret's Westminster.

Mr Skate also relates, that a School is about to be s[redacted] Mary Overies.

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wish's the Society would send him a Letter, & another to Sr George,
unless they shall think fit to take other Measures upon the com ing
own of a Chaplain-General. Lastly, that he ha's never received the
Societies Opinion of his Proposals for Propagating the Gospel among
the Indians of North-America.

324. The Lord B^p of Chester, from Wigan, 18 July, 1701, to the
Secretary, say's that he is return'd to Wigan where he shall stay till
September, having finish'd the Visitation of his Diocess, in which he
ha's particularly recommended to his Clergy the Erecting Societies of
secreet, sober, & pious Persons for the Reformation of Manners; &
great & populous Towns for setting up Charity Schools. That some
each are already sett up, that he hopes there will be more, & will
an Account of them. That there is but little hopes of the Schoo
Liverpool, by reason of the Charges the Inhabitants are involv'd in,
building a Church & house for their Minister. That nothing can
done neither at Kendal about a Lending Library, that Town being
gag'd in another Public Work; but that the Mayor & Minister have
mis'd to erect a Society for Reformation. Lastly, that he find's
Clergy very diligent in discharging the Duty of Catechising.

Commissary Bonnett, from Port Royal in Jamaica, 11 May,
to the Secretary. Own's the Receit of the Societies Letter, &
nks the Society for accepting his sincere Endeavors, as an earnest
which he Transmitt's a Copy of what has been done in that Island,
suant to the Designs of the London Society. That his Excellency
Governor being at some Miles Distance, he know's not how he
Answer the Letter to him; but in generall that he is very sensible
Honor confer'd on him by the Society in choosing him a Corre-
dent; and that the Clergy are secure of his stedfastness. That
Dr. Bray, he ha's recover'd several of the Books design'd for the
ry of Port-Royal, & desires a compleat Catalogue of them. Lastly,
resolv'd to answer all the Societies by the Oxenden, Elias Pearce
, newly arrived, he Apologise's for the shortness of this.

(Lay) Mr. De Beringhen from the Hague, 22 July, 1701, N.S.,
Secretary. Say's that he is sensible of the Desire of the Society
ilitate a Correspondence with the Dutch, to which they have no
ion, but are frightned with the name of a Society, & think that
usiness of Printing books, & a Commerce of Letters doe's not
e it, especially since he & Mr. Turion have been able hitherto
ry on such a Correspondence, & that they offer to bear a share
Charges. Hope's, however, that when the Account of Societies
formation of Manners (which is now Printing at Roterdam)
appear, he may be able to persuade them. That he intend's to
e of the said Books before the 3 Tables of their Sovereigns.
the Society for their Kindness to Mr. Vallone, and desire's the
may be return'd to Mr. Stanhop, the English Envoy, &c. That
Mr. Vallone ha's left the Abbey of St. Genevieve (in which there
re Men of Quality than in any other town in France), Five
Prebendaries are come from thence, vizt, M^rs. Gagnier, De la
, De la Valette, Aubert, & Boulon, besides Mr. D'Argentevil,
t that place 8 or 9 years ago; and that they hope great things
that Society, composed of Learned Men, & such as have an
rrence of Popery. Flatter's himself, he says, that such Proselytes
re were a Toleration in France, would very much forward the
sion of Papists in France), and that his Meditation on the 11th
of the Revelations confirm's him in that Opinion, & refer's to
ok concerning *The Two Witnesses*, to write upon which subject,
llone, he says, seem's to be born. Wishes that his book was
by the B^p of Worcester & the other Prelates that understand
. Lastly, send's a Copy of the Memorial composed by Mr.
in order to engage the Dutch Gentlemen to enter into a
pondence with the English Society.

(Lay) Mr. Elias Neau, from New-York, in America, 3 June,
the Society. Own's the Receit of their Letter of the 20 Octob.
God for their great Examples of Piety, & humbles himself
the Consideration of his own Unworthiness. Promise's to
ty of Manners & of Faith to the utmost of his Power, &
worldly Circumstances will give him leave. Say's that
municated the Letter & Papers to several English &
ntlemen, particularly to Mr. Vesey, an English, & Mr.
French Minister, who seem to be well disposed. But as to
, he intend's to write to the L^d B^p of London about it, before
e's in it, lest he should be accused of Novelty; and that the
willing enough to join with him, provided the Governor and
ll Authorise them. That the Death of the Lord Bellamont
some hindrance to their Affairs, it having caused a great Fer-
mong the People. That the English & French unite against
ch, who, only in the life-time of the late Governor, were put into
That the Countrey is so poor, that it will be difficult to sett
ools among them, tho' every body give's their Children some
Education. That the little Tracts should be translated into
e Common Languages of the Countrey, English, Dutch, &
. Lastly, he is sorry, he says, that the Conversion of the
s in Pensylvania is so much exaggerated, and wishe's there
t one hundred sincere Proselytes.

(Lay) Mr. Elias Neau, from N. York, 13 June, to the Society.
offer's himself to be employ'd by them in the promoting their
t Designs. Hope's that the little Tracts of Devotion sent by
may in time do good, the Countrey being full of People
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Thursday. 4 ~~April~~ May. 1704.

Present, Sr Edmund Turner, Dr Mapletoft, Dr Stare, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges, Mr Bromfield, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Edwards, Mr Brewster

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Dr Stare in the Chair, being deputed by Mr Nelson.

1. Mr Hodges Reported from the Committee appointed to inspect the Treasurer's Accompts, that they had Audited the same accordingly, & found that now there does ~~now~~ remain in the Treasurer's hands, the sum of 89l. 05s. 02d½. To which Report the Society Agreed.

2. A Letter was Read from Mr Earle of Portsmouth, who hinting at a want of the Paper concerning the Duty of Servants, the Society order'd a dozen to be sent to him. His Account also of his disposing the Society's Packets amongst the Commanders of Merchants Ships was produced, & the Secretary Order'd to Answer his Letter.

3. Order'd that Mr Forbes Minister of Biester in Oxfordshire, be a Corresponding Member for Oxfordshire, upon the Recommendation of Mr Shute.

4. A Letter was Read from Mr Salmon of Mepsal, containing (amongst other things) a Project lately set on foot by him, vizt. 12 Gentlemen & Clergy-men subscribe each 20 shill for buying of such books as they agree upon, which are lent, at certain times, amongst one another: at the years end, the books are divided into 12 Lots, and so divided amongst them. Thus, each man reads 12li worth of books for 20s, and at the years end has the Value of his Money.

5. A Letter was read from Mr Ludolf to Mr Chamberlayne, dated from Copenhagen 2 April 1704, who certifying that Mr Michaelis the Lutheran Minister at Archangel has sometimes Opportunities of disposing good books amongst the English there: the Society Order'd a parcel of books & Papers not exceeding 10l value, to be sent thither.

6. A Letter was Read from Mr Banks of Hull, describing the Workhouses, Schools, & Hospitals there, 'twas referr'd to Mr Edwards for the present, & Mr Treasurer was desired to inspect his b to know whether any of the Sea-packets were sent to him; and to send him a fitting parcel in case none, or but few are allready sent.

7. Letters were read ~~from~~ Mr Springate of Lewes, Mr Olyffe of Dunton, & Mr Cooke of Wittenham accepting the Correspondence.

8. 29d A Letter was Read from Mr Bedford of Bristol, owning the receipt of 7 of the [illegible] [illegible] last Packetts.

9 Another from Mr Greave of Lewes owning the Receipt of 6 of the like Packets,

10 The Society taking into Consideration the intended Gift of Mr Neale; Mr Bulstrode was desired to draw up a Conveyance of the formerly mention'd houses, vesting them in Dr Hare, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Melmoth, Mr Edwards, Mr Bromfield, & Mr Hodges, in Trust, for this Society.

11. Order'd that the Secretary do attend the Dean of Lincoln, & in the Name of this Society, desire him to preach at St Andrews Church Holbourn in Whitson week, at the Meeting of all the Poor Children. Mr Shore – Dr Hare

12 The Agents being Call'd in,

13. Mr Mitchell Reported that a Gentle~~man~~woman did lately bring in 20li as a gift to the Workhouse in St Margarets Westmr.

Many other Letters remaining to be read, they were refer'd to the next Meeting.

Thursday. May: 11. 1704

Present, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Shule, Mr Hodges, Mr Bradly & Mr Sherman Correspondents.

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

Order'd, That Mr Edwards do dispatch the Instrument committed to his care about Mr Neale's Friends Houses.

The Proposals for Lending Librarys by Mr Wallis being read, & approved, Mr Shute is desired to perfect it with an addition of ye Trustees named.

Mr Shute desiring a Parcel of ye Societys Papers for the Royal Anne now under his care, order'd that a sum not exceeding 20s be given him for that purpose.

A Letter from Mr Boughton of Launceston complaining that he had not rec'd a Parcell; another from Mr Joseph Mangale of Kingston accepting ye correspondence.

Several other Letters were ref[illegible] till next meeting.

Thursday. 18 May. 1704.

Present, Mr Nelson, Mr Shute, Mr Seaman, Mr Palmer, the Secretary, Mr Chamberlayne;

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

d that Mr Bulstrode be put in mind of the Conveyance of ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Neale's Houses.

A Letter was read from Mr Fenwick of Hallaton, concerning the 4l which he gives to the Society as a Benefaction for 2 years: this money the Secretary having received, ~~was~~ paid in to the Treasurer, who was desired to certifie Mr Fenwick of it.

Letters were Read from Mr Pottie of Eccleshal, Mr Adamson of Burton, Mr Turner of Stamford, Mr Johns of Stroud, Mr Smyth of Gainsborough, Mr Allen of Stoke, Mr Mapletoft of Huntingdon, Mr Carte of Leicester, Mr Smith of Baxton, & Mr Wesley of Epworth who all with Mr Fenwick abovementiond, did own the Receipt of the Societies last Packet, & promis'd to promote the Erection of Libraries in the High-lands of Scotland as far as they could.

A Letter was read from Mr Lewis of Ackryse.

Thursday. 25. May. 1704.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Kirkwood a Correspondent, Mr Edwards, Mr Palmer, Mr Hoare, the Secretary: the Dean of Lincoln, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Springat a Correspondent, Sr Edm. Turner,

Mr ~~Edwards~~ Nelson in the Chair, ~~Mr Nelson being absent~~.

1. Mr Edwards relates that he now having gotten the Lease of Mr Yeate's Friends house, he shall soon finish the Instrument desired of him.

2. Agreed that Mr Stubs be put in mind of perfecting the Proposals for Erecting Lending Libraries in Wales

3. Mr Dean of Lincoln certified the Society that he is not sure of being in Town at the Time when the Society desires him to Preach ~~at~~ in St Andrew's Church: but th if he is Town, he will Preach there.

4. Agreed that Mr Hoare be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

5. Mr Alex. Torriano was Approv'd for a Residing Member, & Mr Shute promis'd to desire his Attendance.

6. Letters were read from Mr Bynns of Stafford, & Mr A.D. Entwistle owning the Receipt of the Societies last Packets. And some objections being made against the Design of Erecting Libraries in the High-lands of Scotland; Mr Kirkwood produced Answers to them in writing, which gave satisfaction to the Society.

7. A Letter was Read from ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Thomlinson of New-Castle upon Tine.

8. √ The Agents for Schools being called in, they propos'd to the Society that the Mar Men might ~~no~~ be hired to go before the Poor Children in their Procession to St Andrews Church, in order to keep off Carts, &c. which the Society agreed to.

Thursday. 1 June. 1704.

Present, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Edwards Mr Newman a Correspondent, the Secretary:

Mr Edwards in the Chair, being deputed by Mr Hoare.

1. Order'd that the Secretary do desire Dr Woodward of Poplar to preach next Thursday at St Andrews Church, in Case the Dean of Lincoln should be out of Town.

2. Dr Slare related that there is a School set up in Kidermenster in Worcestershire, for 32 Boys; and another begun in the same place for the same number of Boys: being both encouraged by Subscriptions from London.

3. Agreed that Mr Treasurer do buy Paper for Printing 3000 of the New Accounts of Schools.

4. The Agents for Schools being called in, Mr Skate shewed a Letter from Reading in Berkshire certifying that a Charity-School is set up there for 30 boys, about 20l p ann being subscribed thereunto.

Thursday. 8 June. 1704.

Present, Sr Will. Hustler, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards, Mr Meller, Mr Dean of Lincoln, Mr Hoare.

Mr Edwards in the Chair, being deputed by Mr Hoare.

1. Mr Edwards producing Draughts of the Assignment of the Houses given to this Society by Mr Yeate's Friend, and of the Declaration of Trust,

2. Agreed that they be communicated to the Donor, before they be Engross'd; which Mr Edwards promis'd to do.

3. The Society gave Mr Dean of Lincoln their Thanks for his excellent Sermon preach'd this day, ~~at~~ St Andrew's Church, Holbourn; and they desiring the liberty of Printing it, ~~which~~ he consented to it as well at any other time as now, and in what number of Copies they shall think fit.

4. Agreed that 4000 Copies of this Sermon be printed in 4to at the Charges of this Society, & that the new Account of Charity Schools, be reprinted and added to it.

Agreed that 300 Christian ~~S~~Scholars be ~~given~~ deliver'd to the Masters of the Charity Schools, within the Limits of the Bills of Mortality, to be given by them to their poor Scholars, who ~~want the same~~ appear'd this day at St Andrew's Church and want the same.

5. The Agents for Schools being called in, they desired some of the Accounts of Schools, & the Society Order'd them a quire.

Mr Treasurer was desired to cause an Advertisement of the Poor Childrens Meeting this day at St Andrews Holbourn, and of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Preaching to them, &c. to be inserted in three of the News Papers.

A Letter was read from Mr Stubs dated from Blackwall, together with another from Mr Boffray of N. Romney to him concerning Joseph Jonah the Jewish Proselyte.

Another Letter was read from Mr Stubs ~~dated~~ at board the Royal Anne, certifying that he had distributed the Societies gift of Books & Papers amongst the Ships Crew, wth good Effect.

A Letter was read from Mr Disney of Lincoln, concerning the Schools lately erected there; that there is a likelyhood of erecting another at Tattershall in the same County, and that he had recd & distributed the new Packets lately transmitted to him.

Thursday. 15 June. 1704.

Present, Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, Mr Kirkwood & Mr Olyffe Correspondents, Mr Hoare, Mr Brewster, Mr Trymmer, Mr Edwards, Mr Bromfield, Sr Edmund Turner,

Mr Hoare in the Chair

1. Mr Treasurer acquainting the Society that the Impression of the New Account of Charity Schools, in fol: is almost ~~qui~~ gone, and that the form of it continues set,

2. Agreed that 2000 more of them be wrought off, the Printer correcting a mistakes or two, which have been observ'd therein.

3. Mr Treasurer farther certified the Society, that this day fortnight, the Poor Children of the Schools of Wapping & White-chappel could not be admitted into St Andrew's Church for want of Room (the Schools being Ranged in Alphabetical Order, & the Procession made accordingly:) Whereupon the Society Resolved that ~~the~~ they shall have Room ~~should be removed~~ at the next ~~Impression~~ Procession.

4. Mr Stubs gave the Society a large Account of the Regular & decent behavior of the Officers & Sailors on board the Royal Anne, & of his dispersing the Societies Books & Papers, on board that & other Ships. And Mr Stubs desiring a common Packet for Capt. Greenhill Comander of the Royal Anne, the Society Order'd Mr Treasurer to deliver one to him.

A Printed Copie of The Principal Acts of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland Conven'd at Edenburgh March 16th. 1704. being produced by Mr Kirkwood, the 14th Act anent Erecting Schools in the High-Lands; and the 17th Act, anent Libraries in the High ~~[illegible]~~ Lands, (appointing a Letter of Thanks to be written to the Society in England for Propagating Christian Knowledge, and to others who have given their Concurrence and Assistance in this Matter;) were Read.

And the Letter it self, written by the Appointment of the said General Assembly to this Society, dated from Edinburgh, June 3d. 1704, & subscribed W. Carstares, was read.

A List also of the several Books now wanted in Order to the Compleating the Libraries, was read; Whereupon the Society Resolv'd to continue to recomend this Christian De sign amongst their Members.

Mr Kirkwood was desired to write to Mr Carstares, to certifie him of the Respect wherewith the Society recd his Letter, and to return him their hearty Thanks for the

Order'd that 50 Copies of the Translations of Mr Ostervald's Catechism be deliver'd to Mr Kirkwood as a Present from this Society to the abovemention'd Libraries.

A Letter from Mr Banks of Hull to Mr Stubs was Read, he owning the Receipt [illegible] of 25 Packets to the Comanders of Merchants Ships there.

A Letter was Read from Mr Cleaveland of Dudley, owning the receipt of the

Next Packet.

A Letter was read from Mr Bradock of Canterbury.

Thursday. 22, June. 1704.

Present, Mr Stubs, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Hoare, the Secretary: Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Mr Palmer, Dr Mapletoft, Dr Slare, Mr Edwards,

Mr Hoare in the Chair,

Agreed that Mr Edwards be put in mind of shewing the Assignment to Mr Yates's Friend

Agreed that A Packet be deliverd to Mr Chamberlayne for Sr Edmund Andrews the Lieut. Governor of Guernsey, who desires it.

Mr Stubs certifying the Society that he is suddenly to go to Oxford; the Society Agreed that, ~~that~~ 50 of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermons shall be transmitted to him at Oxford; and 2 dozen of the Sheet Accounts be deliverd to him forthwith.

Agreed that besides the common Packet, another Parcel of the Societies Papers be sent to Sr Edmund Andrews, according ~~to~~ as Mr Treasurer shall think fit.

Agreed that 100 Copies of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermons ~~bound~~ stitched upon Marble Paper; and two more well bound up in Velom, be sent to him, as a present from this Society.

Agreed that Mr Skate, Mr Mitchell, & Mr Gardiner, be Corresponding Members of this Society.

Mr Chamberlayne produced a Letter from the Revd Mr Dubourdieu, certifying that Mr Ives is going by her Majesties Order to Mequinez & shewing what great good might be done by dispersing some good Books & Papers to the English & French Slaves, at Morocco, &c. Agreed that a Parcel of books & papers, not exceeding 20 shillings in Value be deliverd to Mr Chamberlayne for this purpose: and another parcel not exceeding 5 shills in value, for the poor in Monsr Du Bourdieu's own Parish.

A Letter was Read from Mr Jolland of Denton; Another from Mr Willson of Morley certifying that he has remitted $\overset{l}{3}\cdot\overset{s}{11}\cdot\overset{d}{6}$ to Mr Brewster for the Scotch Libraries, & that Mr Fletcher of Spondon will give some books to them: Another was read from Mr Browne of Brington; and part of another from the Master of University College, Oxford, certifying that he recd some of the Accounts of Schools, which the Secretary sent him, that he would communicate them to all proper Persons, & hopes they will have a good Effect.

Agreed that a parcel of Books & Papers not exceeding 10 shillings value, be deliverd to Mr Edwards to disperse amongst some Religious Societies in the Country

Orderd that Mr Treasurer do buy 200 of the Papers of The Duty of Children to their Parents, & that they be put into the Packet.

A Letter was read from Mr Blackwell of Brampton.

Thursday. 29. June. 1704.

Pre[redacted] Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary: Mr A. Torriano, Mr Mitchel, Mr Skate & Mr Gardiner, Correspondents. Mr Moller, Mr Palmer, Dr Slare, Mr Neale, Mr Traman,

Mr Hoare in the Chair

Mr Mitchel, Mr Skate, & Mr Gardiner desiring 1500 of the Sheet-Accounts of Schools, to distribute among the Trustees of the same Schools, Subscribers, & other proper persons; the Society Agreed to give them 1000. and 500 of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermons, which they also desired.

They Reported likewise that a Charity-School is set up at Deal, 27 Boys & Girls being begun to be taught therein before the 17th ~~of this~~ Instant. ~~June~~. And that another School is opend at Maidstone.

They also Reporting that one Mr Stroud has bequeathed 6000li for the Education of poor Children at Egham near Stanes, the Society desired them to procure a Copie of the whole Will, or of the Clause relating to this particular Charity, at the Societies Charge.

Mr Chamberlayne certifying the Society that he is about to go to Windsor, for some time, & desiring some of the Societies Books & Papers, the Society order'd him a Parcell.

Dr Slare Reported that Mr Neale (now present) has actually surrendred his Houses at Ware, to the Trustees mention'd in the Assignment, for the use of this Society; whereupon the Society gave Mr Neale their hearty Thanks for this Benefaction.

Agreed that Mr Bulstrode be desired to take a particular of the Houses; and to endeavor to procure a Purchaser of them.

Agreed that Mr Moller be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Agreed that half a Dozen of Mr Dean of Lincolns Sermons be sent, when wrought off, to each of the Residing Members of this Society.

A Letter was read from Mr Olyffe of Banton, recommending some Ministers for Corresponding Members.

A Letter was Read from Mr Troughton of Grantham, promising to encourage the Scotch Libraries, as he has ~~given to~~ contributed to them himself.

A Letter was Read from Mr Stubs, at Oxford, certifying that he has conferr'd with divers Heads of Houses there, who are so disposed to enter into ~~the~~ Designs of Charity Schools, that they hear of nothing with so much delight, as the Raising a Select School ~~of~~ out of the designed Charity-Schools as a perpetual Seminary for the Mission.

Mr Hoare certifying the Society that he has lately recd 5li. 2s. for the Scotch Libraries, and that he has deliverd it to Mr Edwards.

Thursday. July 6. 1704.

Present Sir Edmund Turner [redacted] Mr Shute
Mr Stubs Mr Hodges Mr Edwards Mr Garrard.

Mr Stubs in the Chaire Mr Meller being Absent

Mr Edwards reported that mr Yates friend gave Leave for this Society's receiving the Rents of the houses in Glouster Court And that he was willing to part wth his Interest therein as soon as he could get his Landlord to take a Surrender of his Lease & to grant ~~an~~ an Other to such persons as this Society should name wch he promised to effect wth his Landlord as soon as he Conveniently Could.

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Mr Edwards Reported that he had reced the 3 : 11 : 6 mentioned in mr Wilsons Letter for the ~~[illegible]~~ Erecting Librarie in Scotland And had writ to him abt Remiting the Books this Letter mentions

Ordered that there be sent one of Dr Willis's ~~Servants~~ Sermons to each of the Ministers in London & six to each Corresponding member And that mr Treasurer take care therein.

Thursday. July 13. 1704.

Present mr ~~Skate~~ Shute Sr mr Meller mr Hodges
mr Palmer mr Edwards

mr Meller in the Chaire

Ordered That ~~the~~ mr Shute mr Mitchel & mr Gardner be put in mind of geting a Copy of mr Strouds Will for teaching poor Children at Egham.

~~m~~ Carter the Messenger desired to leave the Societies Service being minded to learn a Trade And mr Hodges Recomended Thomas Thorneycroft to the sd Service And he was called in Examined & approved & Voted the Societies Messenger upon the same Terms Carter was On if mr ~~Hodges~~ Shute so please And mr Shute Agreed to the same.

Carter The Messenger reported that he had reced some small pt of the Rents in Glouster Court And mr Sr was desired to speak wth mr Yates friend About this Affair.

A Letter from mr Kirkwood was read desiring some of the Little Books in the Societies Disposal may be given to the 100 Libraries intended for the Scotish High Lands The Society desired mr Treasurer to Consider of it. & Report the Charge of such so many Books as may be usefull to the sd Designe

A Letter was Read from mr Brockman.

Thursday. July. 20. 1704

Mr Miller in the Chair

Present, Mr Dean of Lincoln, Sr Ed: Turner, Mr Edwards, Mr Miller, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Dr Bray, Mr Skeate, Mr Palmer, Mr Hoar, Mr Newman

Order'd that as many of ye Society's small practicall Papers be sent wth the Librarys to ye High-Lands as shall not exceed 4li:

A Letter was read from Mr P. Lancaster in Cheshire giving an accot yt ye Subscription to ye Schole in Chester is advanced above 90li, some Subscribers having paid in their Subscriptions for 20 years to come: That ye City of Chester having receiv'd lately some Lands, inclined to perpetuate this Charity in ye manner of an Hospital; as also That one Lawrence Burchal a Servt has left 700li & an House, for a Scholemaster to educate 10 poor boys in reading English distinctly, writing, well, & understanding ye 5 first rules in Arithmetick

Agreed that our half Sheets as ye Rayming Verses, be next printed in Broad Sheets or otherwise as shall be found most usefull.

A Letter from Mr Boughton of Launceston, wth thanks for his Packets;

A Letter from Mr Scott in the Isle of Wight, complaining yt he recd not ye Packets;

A Letter from Mr D'Effray abt Joseph Jonah; agreed that the Society to wait for Dr D'Effray's answer to Mr Hodges's Letter abt ~~him~~

A Letter from Mr Keith of Bedford, giving an accot that there was a Schole open'd there Midsummer last.

Mr Skeate acquainted ye Society that one Mrs Butler has given 10li to ye Charity Schole at St Sepulchre's, & [illegible] to ye Schole at St Giles Cripplegate

Thursday. 27. July. 1704.

Present, Mr Meller, Sr Edm. Turner, Mr Brewster, Mr Bromfild, the Secretary:

Mr Meller in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Skate, &c. be put in mind of procuring a Copie of Mr Stroud's Will.

Agreed that Mr Hoare be chairman for the month ensuing.

Thursday. 3. August. 1704.

Present, Mr Hoare, Mr Shute, Dr Slare, Mr Brewster, Mr Edward Mr Palmer, Mr Andrews. Mr Thibs,

Mr Hoare in the Chair.

Dr Slare Related from Mr Hoard of Kiderminster, that there are now 34 boys taught to read ~~therein~~ in the School there.

Agreed that Mr Meller be desired to attend at next meeting, in order to ~~be~~ his being consulted about the sale of the houses in Gloucester Court.

A Letter was read from Mr Bradock of Canterbury owning the receipt of the Societies last Pacquet.

Thursday. 10. August, 1704.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Thibs, Mr Kirkwood a Correspondent, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary, who not being a Quorum, there was no Meeting.

Thursday. 17 August. 1704.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Palmer, Mr Edwards, the Secretary: Mr Newman a Correspondent,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, Mr Hoare being absent.

Mr Chamberlayne acquainted the Society that he had moved to the Lord A.B. of Canterbury, & to the Lord President, the sending Mr Robert Hales as Secretary or Agent from her Majesty to the Swissers & Grisons; ~~that it had been propos'd to~~ in Order to take care of Matters of Religion ~~there~~ amongst them; that it had been propos'd in Council this day; and that the Archbishop had desired him to acquaint Mr Secretary Harley with all particulars relating to Mr Hales, & therefore he did desire all Letters concerning him, now in the Secretaries custody: to which request the Society Agreed.

Mr Palmer gave an advantagious Character of Mr Ernley, and amongst other particulars, related that Mr Ernley has ~~[illegible]~~ caused thirty Boys at Caln in Wiltshire to be taught to read & write, &c.

Order'd that a Packet be sent to Mr Ernley.

A Letter was read from Mr Israel Jones now going to Morocco about the Redemptio of the English Slaves in that Countrey, & desiring a Parcell of the Societies books & Papers, he judging that he shall have Opportunities of doing good with them in his Ship, & amongst the English Souldiers in Portugal, as well as with the English Slaves in Morocc

Order'd that the Papers desired by Mr Jones be transmitted to him.

Thursday. 24. August, 1704.

Present, Mr Hoare, Mr Shurmy a Correspondent, Mr Nelson, Mr Edwards, Mr Hodges, Mr Brewster, Mr Shute.

Mr Hoare in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Meller be farther consulted about the sale of the houses in Gloucester Court.

Mr Edwards desired half a dozen of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermons for Mrs Rothery the Schoolmistress of Greenwich, and they were Order'd accordingly.

The Secretary Related that he had deliver'd 29 Letters to Mr Chamberlayne all which related to Mr Hales or were written by ~~[illegible]~~ him; and that he has received them back again.

Order'd that the Secretary do transcribe such passages in the said Papers as give a Character of ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Hales, and that he do present them to Mr Secretary Harley, ~~[illegible]~~ upon the first proper Occasion.

Order'd that the 300 Christian Scholars mention'd in the minutes of the 8th of June be ~~[illegible]~~ dispos'd of accordingly, amongst the riper Scholars of the Charity Schoo who want the same.

A Letter was Read from Dr Jephcott of Evesham owning the Receipt of the Societies last Packet, & of that sent to Worcester Gaol formerly transmitted to him: he certified also that about 60 Children are there taught to read & the Catechism, at the expence of a few Charitable Persons.

Mr Hodges desired half a dozen Seamens Packets for Coll Perry, which were Granted.

Thursday. 31 August. 1704.

Present, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Hoare, Mr Nelson, Mr Shute, Mr Edwards, Mr Skate & Mr Mitchel Correspondents.

Mr Hoare in the Chair.

Mr Skate & Mr Mitchel desiring ~~[illegible]~~ 30 of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermons, they were Order'd accordingly.

Agreed that Mr Edwards be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Three Letters were Read directed to Mr Shute, one from Mr Foster of Deverel owning the Recei of the Societies last Packet, and seeming to promise ~~the~~ something towards the Scotch Libraries: one from Mr Bradley of York, owning the Receipt of the same Packet, and giving hopes of setting up Charity Schools thereabout. the 3d. from Mr Dearks of Hartlebury, certifying that in that Parish 20 Children are taught to Read for 6li p ann allow'd by one person; & 6 Girls Cloth'd, taught to Read, Knit, Card & Spin for 4d a month allow'd by another. And that there are 40 Children taught to read ~~at~~ in the Parish of Old-Swinford.

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Thursday 7. September, 1704. being the day of Publick Thanksgiving, there was no Meeting.

Thursday. 14. September. 1704.

Present, Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne; Mr Meller, the Secretary:

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, Mr Edwards being Absent

Mr Chamberlayne brought 5li presented to this Society by Mrs Littleton of Windsor; and the Society desired him to return her their hearty Thanks for the same.

Mr Chamberlayne Reported that Mr Secretary Harley by her Majesties Order had given Mr Leonhard the Grison Minister, (who came over to sollicite Mr Hales's business & the affairs of the Grison Churches,) an hundred Guineas as a present.

A Letter was read from Mr Robert Hales to Mr Chamberlayne, dated from Copenhagen 26. Aug. 1704. wherein, amongst other Matters, he certifies his presenting the *Soldiers Monitor* to the Queen of Poland & the Duke of Saxe-Gotha who received ~~them~~ it very favorably; and that at Cassel there are 4000 *Soldiers Monitors* & as many of the Papers against *Swearing*, already Printed in order to be dispers'd amongst the Landgraves Soldiers. That a Livonian Divine has promi to turn some of our little Tracts into Livonian; a Saxon Divine some others into the Vendon; and that he hopes Dr Brink will turn the *Soldiers Monitor* into Dan

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Thursday. 21 September 1704

Present, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Shute, Mr Bromfield, Mr Stubs, who not being a Quorum, there was no meeting. Mr Chamberlayne & Dean of Lincoln came afterwards.

Thursday. September 28, 1704

Present Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Stubs, Mr Andrews, Mr Shute, Mr Skeate, Mr Edwards, Sr Richard Bulkeley,

Mr Edwards in the Chair.

Mr Bulstrode acquainting some of ye Society that oct 4 being Court-day at Ware, 'twill be necessary that some of ye Persons to whom the Surrender of Mr Neale's Estate there is made, do go down to ye sd Court:

Agreed yt Mr Bulstrode & Dr Slare are desired to be ye sd Persons:

A Letter was read from Arch D. Frank, concerning ye distribution of 66 of ye B of Lincolns Sermons; & desiring some Copys of ye Accts of Charity Schools ag: his next Visitation.

Ordered that 100 of ye accots at least be sent down to Him. & 2 dozen more of ye Sermons:

Ordered That 2 doz of ye Sermons be sent also to Mr Chamberlayne. to be distributed at Windsor.

Mr Arch-Deacon further acquainted ye Society, That Mr Smith of Bedford has erected a Schole in yt place consisting of 35 poor Children, about 20li being subscribed for ye support thereof; moreover that Mr Leigh of Layton lately deceased has left 10li p an: for the Schooling of poor children in that Parish. as also yt ye Overseers of ye poor at Marston allow 50s p annu in ye Parish accot for teaching 6 poor children there: that at Cranfield three pound p annum is left for ever to ye Schole there.

A Letter from Mr Grand was read signifying that there is no Schole in Lewis, Sussex, as was mention'd in ye printed Acct, & desiring yt ye fault may be corrected in ye next Edition.

Mr Shute acquainting ye Society yt Mr Nisbon had desired 100 of our small books about Family Devotion, & ye Plain way to Heaven, to be distributed at Tunbridge.

Ordered that they be sent accordingly.

Thursday. 5 October. 1704.

Present, Dr Manningham, Dr Slare, Mr Shute, the Secretary: who not being a Quorum, there was no meeting.

St Dunstan's Quest Room.

Thursday. 12. October, 1704.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Olliffe a Correspondent, Mr Hodges, Mr Bromfield, the Secretary:

Mr Nelson in the Chair

A Letter was Read from Mr Lorrain to Mr Shute, desiring some of the Societies little Tracts & Papers, to be dispers'd among the Prisoners in Newgate; & Mr Treasurer was Order'd to furnish him according to his discretion.

A Letter was Read from Mr Deffray to Mr Shute, certifying his receipt of the Parcell of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermons, & his Distribution of them.

Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Thorold at Rotterdam, to know how the Societies books & Papers lodg'd with him, have been distributed

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Thursday. 19. October. 1704. St Dunstan's Quest

Present, Sr Wm Hustler, Mr Stubs, Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Mr ~~Bromfield~~ Mr ~~Andrews~~, Mr Chamberlayne; Mr Skate, Mr Gardiner, & Mr Mik Correspondents Mr Edwards

Sr William Hustler in the Chair

Mr Shute Related that Dr Slare & Mr Bulstrode have been at Ware, & reced the Surrender of the Houses given by Mr Neale to this Society, and that ~~they had~~ there will be a Bill to be paid to the Steward of that Mannor, which Bill the Society Order'd to [redacted] be paid when presented.

Mr Shute acquainted the Society that a Friend of his is upon taking a house in 3 Crane-Court, Fleet-street, wherein is a Room convenient for the Meetings of this Society, and that the Gentleman is willing to allow the Society to meet there. Agreed that Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, & Mr Edwards be desired to inspect the said Room, and to relate their Opinion of it ~~at next meeting~~.

Mr Moller Reported that one Mr Job Gear has empower'd him to offer 100£ for the houses lately given to this Society by Mr Yeate's Friend; which proposal the ~~Society did Resolve~~ to accept.

Agreed that Mr Edwards be desired to confer with Mr Gear, and to put this affair into a proper Method.

A Letter was read from Mr Gibson of Welbourne, certifying his receit of the Societies Papers. he also wrote for a large parcel of books & papers to be paid for; he also sent an enclosed Order for 6 guineas, which is a present to the Society from 2 friends of Mr Lisle of Gisborough.

Mr Treasurer also certified that he ~~had~~ recd the said 6 Guineas, & sent the Parcel of papers desired, together with 2 packets to the said Benefactors which Mr Gibson did also desire. Mr Treasurer was desired to send to Mr Gibson 20 Sheets of the Duty of Servants, 20 Sheets of the Obligations to shun Vice, &c. & 30 Sheets of ye Duty of Children, which Mr Gibson has since desired in a late letter to Sr Will. Hustler; and the Secretary was Order'd to return the Thanks of this Society to Mr Gibson, Mr Lisle, & the said Benefactors.

A Letter was Read from Mr Pearks of Hartlebury to Mr Shute, owning his Rect. of the Societies late Packet, & recommending Mr Stephens Rector of Hampton Lovet near Droit-wych, Worcester-shire to be a Correspondent with this Society.

Thursday. 26 October. 1704. St Dunstan's Quest Roo

Present, Mr Shute. Mr Shebs, Mr Nelson, Mr Hoare, the Secretary: Mr Jenner, Mr Palmer, Sr Will. Hustler, Mr Edwards, Sr John Philipps, Sr Richard Bulkeley a Correspondent,

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

Mr A.D. Bouchier was approv'd as a Residing Member of this Society, & Mr Shute to Desire his Attendance.

Mr Shute related that Mr Blackwell of Brampton has remitted 2 Guineas as a Benefaction to this Society, by Mr A.D. Kennet, & Mr Shute was desired to return him the Thanks of the Society for the same.

Mr Shute also read part of a Letter from Mr Varle of Portsmouth, desiring that the Society would accept 30s. toward the carrying on their religious designs, and Mr Shute was desired to return him the Thanks of the Society for it.

Mr Treasurer moving that his Accompts may be Audited; the Society thought fit to defer the said Audit, till about a Month after Christmass, because the Houses lately given to this Society are not yet sold, and some debts remain to be discharged by the Money accruing from them.

Agreed that Sir John Philips be Chairman for the ensuing Month.

Agreed that the Absent Members be summond to Attend at next Meeting, upon ~~particular~~ particular business.

Mr Edwards Reported that he had seen Mr Gear who will give 100ll for the houses given by Mr Yeate's friend; and Mr Edwards was desired to manage the business, & to give it all co
Dispatch.

Two Letters were Read, one from Mr Smith of Great-Paxton, the other from Mr Shergold of Newport, both owning their receipt of the Societies gift of Mr Dean of Lincolns Sermons, and that they have deliver'd the like Packets to Mr Maplestoft of Huntingdon & Mr Scot of Northwood. Mr Smith also said that they have a Society of Neighbouring Clergymen for promoting knowledge amongst themselves & buying useful books; and that there is a Subscription begun for a Charity-school at St Neots.

Thursday. 2 November, 1704. St Dunstan's Quest-Room

Present, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester, Sr John Philipps, Sr Richard Bulkeley a Correspondent, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Shubs, Mr Meller, Mr Jenner, Mr Hodges, Mr Seaman, Mr Skate, Mr Gardiner & Mr Mitchell Correspondts. Mr Edwards, Mr Melmoth, Mr Nelson, Mr Brewster, Coll Colchester, Mr Bromfield.

Sr John Philipps in the Chair.

Mr Treasurer Reported that the Steward of the Mannor of Ware has presented his Bill, which amounted to 12li·19s·6d, which bill he has ~~discharged~~ paid.

Order'd that the Secretary do Certifie such Members of this Society who are in long Arrears to their respective Subscriptions, the several Quarters which have not been paid in to the Treasurer.

Mr Chamberlayne moving the Society for a parcel of the Societies Books & Papers for Capt. Stanhope Commander of her Maties Ship Hastings now going for ~~West Indies~~ Guinea; the Treasurer was Order'd to send a parcel to the said Captain, the value of the parcel not exceeding 20 shillings.

Mr Shubs Certified the Society that the first year of the Subscription of divers Members of this Society towards the Support of Mr Sandylands does determine the 11th Instant, and that the Moneys subscribed is not as yet wholly paid in, and that the said Mr Sandylands is now in very great distress:

Agreed that this Affair be refer'd to a Committee, and they to meet here this day sennight by three a clock; and that Mr Shubs, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Jenner, Mr Hodges, Mr Meller, or any 3 of them be this Committee.

A Debate arose about meeting at the person's house mention'd in the Minutes of the 19th of October, and the Society agreed to ~~endeavour~~ try whether this Room cannot be made warmer, before they Remove their Meetings to another.

Mr Skate Mr Gardiner & Mr Mitchell certified that the Subscriptions to the School at St George's Southwark do fall short, and ~~that~~ they desired this Society to allow 5li towards its Support. To this request the Society (having heard the minute of 28th Octob. 1703 relating to the said School) did agree.

Order'd that 200 Copies of a ~~printed~~ Tract entituled the Whole Duty of a Christi by Way of Question & Answer, be bought at the prime Cost when printed.

A Letter from Sheffield to Mr Skate was Read, certifying (amongst other things) that there is a small Tract entituled the Sickmans Guide lately drawn up by a Meeting of neighbouring Ministers, and sold for 3d a piece or 20s a hundred: that if the present Impression was sold off, they would reprint it with Additions, particularly concerning the Communion of the Sick. The Society referr'd the consideration of this Matter to the next Meeting.

A Letter was Read from Mr L'Isle of Gisbrough, owning the receipt of the Societies Papers, &c.

Thursday. 9 November. 1704. St Dunstan's Quest Room.

Present, Sr John Philipps, Coll Colchester, Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Mr Hoare, Mr Thibs, Mr Seaman, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Newman a Correspondt. Mr Hodges ~~[illegible]~~, Mr Nelson, ~~[illegible]~~ Dr Slare, Mr Jenn Mr Skate & Mr Mitchell Correspondts.

Sr John Philipps in the Chair.

Order'd that the Secretary do make an extract from this Journal of all the Minutes relating to the Houses given by Mr Yeate's Friend, & transmitt them to Sr John Philipps.

Agreed that the List of the Correspondents be read over at the next Meeting.

Agreed that the Secretary do draw up a Paragraph (to be inserted into the 2d General Letter,) desiring the Correspondents to recomend others to the Society, and that he do bring it to the next Meeting.

Agreed that 100 Sickmans Guides be bought; and Mr Skate promis'd to take care t buy them.

The present Room of Meeting being found inconvenient because of the Cold, & in respect of the Charge necessary to make it otherwise: and Mr Treasurer Hoare being so kind as to offer the Society a convenient Room in his own house; the Society ~~agreed~~ excepted of it, thankfully, and Order'd the absent Members to have notice given of the removal.

Agreed that this Society will meet at Mr Treasurer's this day sennight.

Agreed that Mr Hoare be desired to return the Thanks of this Society to the Persons who gav the Society the liberty of meeting ~~here~~ in this Inquest house.

Order'd that a sum not exceeding 2 Guineas, be given to the woman who keeps the Ke of this Room.

A Letter was Read from Mr Wheler of Glocester, accepting the Correspondence, & describing the State of their Workhouse, which he supposes likely to fall, for want of two Clause the Act of Parliamt which establish'd it, viz. 1. Want of power to raise a Competent sum for building & compleating the Workhouse; & 2. Want of power to oblige such who should be elected Guar to serve. The Society referr'd it to the Consideration of Sr Humfrey Mackworth.

A Letter from Mr Gibson ~~Cott~~ of Welbourne to Mr Shute was read; owning the Receipt of the Societies last Gift to him, & thanking him for the same.

Sr John Philipps Moving the Society for ~~some~~ of their books & papers to disperse in
Wales. the Society Order'd him a parcel, not exceeding 20s in Value.

The Translation of A letter from Mr Ostervald to the Society was Read, thanking them for their Present of Books sent to him, particularly for Mr Nelsons *Companion to the Feasts & Festivals* which he hopes will be of great use ~~in~~ Compleating their Service at Neuf-chatel. he certifies also that the Publishing his Catechism in English, has produced a very good Effect in their parts; that their New Liturgy is reciev'd in six Churches in the Countrey, and will establish itself by degrees.

The Translation of a Letter from Mr Ostervald to the Secretary was Read, specifying his great Approbation of the Translation of his Catechism.

Thursday. 16 November. 1704. Mr Shute's house. Bartlet's Buildings

Present Sr John Philipps, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth, Mr Trymmer, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Stubs, Mr Jenner, Mr Edwards, Dr Hare.

Sr John ~~Chamberlayne~~ Philipps. in the Chair.

Sr John Philipps produced a letter from Capt. Stanhope owning the Receipt of &c thanking the Society for their Gift of Books & papers to the seamen under his Comand, and it was Read.

Agreed that there be an extraordinary Meeting in this place on Monday next at half an hour past 2 a clock, and that Dr Manningham, Dr Hare, Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth, Mr Jenner & Mr Seaman be desired to ~~assist at it~~ attend.

Dr Manningham Related that one Mrs Jenny a Maiden Gentle~~man~~woman has lately bequeathed 50l to the Charity School for Girls in St Andrews Holbourn, & that the Money is receiv'd.

A Letter from Mr Turner of Stamford to Mr Shute was Read certifying his remitting 4l as a Gift to the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts, & recomending some persons to be corresponding Members of this Society.

A Letter was read from Mr Hoare certifying that he has paid 40s to the Sexton of St Dunst
who was ~~[illegible]~~ very thankful for it.

Mr Jenner certified the Society that he has drawn up a Paper about Workhouses, which the Society did desire him to do, & 'twas Order'd to be brought to the next Meeting.

~~Resolv'd that Mr Melmoth's friend be reimburs'd the 50l lent to the Society, upon the credit of~~ ~~out of the first money that shall be paid in to the Treasurer.~~

Resolv'd that Mr Melmoth's friend who lent the Society 50l upon the Credit of the Houses given by Mr Yeate's friend, be reimburs'd the said sum, out of the first money that shall be paid in to the Treasurer's hands.

Mr Shute read part of a Letter from Mr Pearkes, who accepts the Correspondence.

Sr John Philipps Made a Motion for the Societie's Dining together in the same Manner as they di
Febr. 3. last:

Agreed that this Society will dine together on Thursday the 14th of December next.

Agreed that the Society at their Meeting on Munday next, do fix upon the place to dine in.

Order'd that the Secretary do wait on Sr Humfrey Mackworth with Mr Wheler of Glocester's Letter,
d Recomend the subject of it to him in the Name of the Society.

A Letter was Read from Mr Gibson of Welbourne owning the receit of all the Parcels lately sent hi
thanking the Society for the last parcel which they gave him.

A Letter was read from Mr Barnsley of Solmscomb accepting the Correspondence.

A Letter was read from Mr Stephens of ~~[illegible]~~ Hampton Lovet, accepting the Correspondence, promising to promote the Societies designs, and certifying his receipt of some of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermons from Mr Dearks.

A Letter Read from Mr Howard of Kedderminster, accepting the Correspondence, and certifying that a Charity School has been lately set up there by the Bp. of Worcester, Dr Slare & Mr Reynolds, &c. that they have had a Meeting of the Neighbouring Clergy for some time; that they are forming a Society of the Clergy & Gentry together, for the Reformation of Manners & Propagating Christian Knowledge; and intend, the next Spring, to set up a Monthly Lecture against Prophaness & Immorality.

Monday. 20 November, 1704. Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Sr John Philipps, Dr Slare, Mr Melmoth, Mr Jenner, Mr Seaman, Mr Shute.

Sir John Philipps in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Kindard De la Bere be a Corresponding Member of this Society, upon the Motion of Dr Slare.

Mr Melmoth proposing a ~~weekly~~ Meeting at Nando's Coffee-house in Fleet street every Monday-night at 7 a clock, of such members of this Society as shall think fit to resort to it, for the better promoting the good Designs of this Society, and a more intimate Acquaintance among the Members thereof:

Agreed that such a Meeting be encouraged.

Order'd that a sufficient Number of the Welsh Translations of A-Bp. Tillotson's Perswasive to Frequent Communion be bought, that 2 of them may be sent to each Correspondent in North-Wales.

Thursday. 23. November, 1704. Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Sr John Philipps, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Colt Colchester, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Andrews, Mr De la Bere a Correspondent, Mr Edwards, Mr Reynolds, Mr Meller, Mr Shubs, Dr Slare,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair.

Sr John Philipps Reported that he had ~~conferr'd~~ been with Mr Mynshull (Mr Yates's Friend, who gave the Houses in Gloucester Court to the Society) who desires that ~~he may be indemnified as to~~ Mr Edwards may confer with him from time to time, till the business be effected ~~by the Satisfaction of all Parties~~ ~~no Covenants with Mr [illegible] on the Ground [illegible] before the [illegible] of [illegible] be made.~~

Agreed, that all matters Relating to the Correspondence, be adjourn'd to the 14th of December

The Secretary producing the Clause relating to the Correspondence which he was Order'd to bring in. The Society Order'd him to insert the said Clause, ~~with the~~ (according as it is now amended) into ~~all~~ such Occasional Letters as he shall write to the Correspondents.

08. Agreed that an Answer to Mons.r Ostervalds two late Letters be consider'd of at next Me

Mr Ernley was Approv'd for a Residing Member, & Mr Jenner to desire his Attendance.

Dr Manningham ~~mov'd the Society~~ propos'd to the Society the Reprinting A.B. Tillotson's 2 Sermons about Restitution, to be done in a small Volume; & the Society desired him & Mr Treasurer to confer with Mr Chiswell, who has the propriety of the Copie, so as to settle ~~about~~ this matter.

Mr Jenner presenting his Account of Work-houses, 'twas Read, & 'twas Order'd to lie upon the Table.

Mr Shute Reported that above 50 Bibles were brought to him this day, upon a Reference for him to disperse in the Charity Schools.

Resolv'd that one of the next Charities which this Society shall engage in, (after the Debt mention'd in the Minutes of the 16th Instant) is paid off, shall be in Common-prayer-books, to be distributed where they shall be most wanted.

Order'd that some of Bp. Beveridge's Sermons upon the usefullness of the Common Prayer, printed in Welsh, be bought; & sent with ~~the~~ B. Tillotsons Persuasive to the Correspondents in North-Wales, one to each man.

Thursday. 30 November 1704. Bartlet's Buildings

Present Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth, Coll Colchester, Mr Delaber & Dr Davies Correspondents, Mr Cotton, Mr Ernle, Mr Jenner, Mr Hoare, Dr Slare

Sr John Philipps in the Chair.

Mr Chairman recd a Letter from Mr Shute intimating that Sion College hall will be at the Societies Service on the 14th of December next.

Agreed that the Care of providing the Dinner on the 14th of December next, be left to Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth, Mr Hoare, & Mr Jenner.

Resolv'd that Mr Shute be desired to confer with Mr Chiswell farther upon the Matter of Printing A.B. Tillotsons Sermons upon Restitution.

Letters were Read from Mr Middleton of Cuckfield, Mr Reynell of Horsham, & Mr Lightmaker of Horsted Keynes, all 3 accepting the Correspondence.

Thursday. 7 December. 1704. Bartlet's Buildings.

Present. Dr Slare, Sr J. Philipps, Mr Shute, Coll Colchester, Mr Nelson, Mr Andrews, Mr A.D. Chetwood a Correspondent Mr Wyndham, Mr Edw Mr Sturmy a Correspondent, Mr Jenner, Mr Ch[illegible]layne Mr Skate & Mr Gardiner Correspondents, Mr Lloyd, Mr Cotton, Sr Rich. Bu[illegible] Correspondent. Mr Newman a Corresp

Dr Slare in [illegible] Chair.

Agreed that Mr Edwards be pu[illegible]nd of conferring with Mr Mynshull, about the House which he gave to the Society.

Order'd that the Secretary do draw up an Answer to Mr Ostervalds last Letters, & bring ~~them~~ it here this day fortnight.

Mr Wyndham Relating that the parcel of Mr Bean of Lincolns Sermons which were to him in the Countrey have had a very good Effect, and he desiring some more of them to send likewise into the Countrey: the Society Order'd 100 of them to be deliver'd to him for this purpose.

Agreed that Mr Treasurer may furnish any of the Members of this Society with parcels of them as they shall desire.

Mr Gardiner Reported that Dr Leech has Bequeathed the Interest of 100£ for 20 years to the Charity School at St Peters Poor ~~[illegible]~~, — Also that ~~at~~ Aldersgate Church doors the last Sunday was a sennight, there was Collected 13£ — 5s.

A letter was Read from Dr Littell, certifying that he hopes to get over some difficulties which have retarded hitherto the Erection of a School at Lyn; and that he expects some good Effects from a small Society of sober young Men there.

A Letter to Mr Chamberlayne, from Mr Keith, was Read. Mr Keith does therein certify that he has lately composed a small Treatise thus Entituled, *An Historical Account of the Rise & Birth of Quakerism in England, about the year 1648, wherein it is plainly shewed that George Fox the Quakers Founder, ~~& First & Chief Apostle~~, was no Original of that sett of Principles taught by him, (as Mr Penn has most unjustly affirmed of him,) but a Copy, as he Copied, Taught, & Wrote, after his Predecessors the German Anabaptists & Enthusiasts, who were above an hundred years before him: as likewise after the Familists, & other Mad Fanaticks, Monks, & Friers, both then & since.* And Mr Keith desiring that the Treatise may be perused by some of the Members of the Society, who may give their Opinion whether his fit to be Printed or not: The Society desired that Dr Manningham & Mr Shute would peruse it, and make their Report accordingly.

A Letter was Read from Mr Stephens of Hampton-Lovett shewing that he has for some years kept ~~some~~ 17 poor Children at School out of the Offertory-money, ~~except~~ till the last year; and that he hopes to bring it on again this next Winter. He certifies also, that Secretary Coventry gave an Estate of 120£ p an to the Town of Wych, to enable 'em to carry on a Work-house, but the design having failed, the money has for some years been divided amongst 3 Parishes, to be distributed by the Overseers of the Poor, & save their own Levies: which being a Perverting the Design of the Donor, he hopes to induce the Majority of the Trustees to erect a considerable School at Wych, with this Estate, til such time as a Workhouse can be set up.

A Letter was Read from Mr Howard of Kederminster, describing the Society of Clergy in his Neighbourhood, Complaining of the Non-Residence of some Neighbouring Rectors, & recommending some others to be Correspondents.

A Letter was Read from Mr Barnesley of Solmescomb, intimating the setting up a Society of Clergy in his Neighbourhood, in pursuance of the Societies 2d General Letter.

A Letter was Read from Mr Fishendon of Rolvenden, accepting the Correspondence.

Thursday, 14 December. 1704. Sion-College.

Present, the Lord Bp. of Worcester, the Lord Bp. of Chichester, Sr John Philipps, Mr Stubs, Dr Slare, Mr Jenner, Mr Edwards, Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth, ~~Coll~~ Colchester, Mr Andrews, Mr Nelson, Mr Palmer, Mr Ernle, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hoare, ~~Mr Cotton~~, Dr Davies, Mr Trymmer, Mr D'Aeth, Mr Hodges, Mr Brewster, A.D. Chetwood, Dr Mapletoft, Mr Lloyd, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Mr Leverbom, Sr Wm Hustler, Mr Bromfield, Mr Bulstrode.

Mr Skate, Mr Mitchel & Mr Gardiner, & Mr Keith Correspondents.

Mr Seaman, Mr Meller, Mr Cotton, Mr Serjt. Hook, Sr Edm. Turner, Mr Wyndham, Mr Dean of Lincoln, Dr Manningham, A.D. Kennett, Mr Weeks & Mr Coutris subscribed their half Crowns, but did not come to the dinner.

Dr Slare in the Chair.

The thanks of the Society was given to ~~Mr Stubs~~ Mr Stubs & the Steward, for the good Accomodation they found here, this Day at their Dinner.

A Debate arising about the Reprinting A.Bp. Tillotson's 2 Sermons about Restitution: Agreed that this matter be adjourned to the next Meeting after the Treasurer's Accounts are Audited.

Order'd that the Secretary do bring a List of the Correspondents to the next Meeting, to be offer'd at each Meeting at the time of New-Motions.

A Letter was read from Dr Littell at Norwich.

A Letter was read from Mr Johnson of Appledore accepting the Correspondence, which shewing a great Zeal accompanied with but mean Circumstances: the Society Agreed that more than an Ordinary Packet shall be sent to him upon his next Letter.

Letters were read from Mr Stephens of Welbourne, Mr Evans of Uffington, & Mr Wrig of Chichester accepting the Correspondence.

A Letter was read certifying that Mr Wilmer of Ellesborough, Mr Wagstaffe of Cubling & Mr Mayo of Great Kimbel, who all signed it, do accept the Correspondence.

Thursday. 21. December, 1704. Mr Shute's house.

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary: Mr Meller, Dr Slare, Mr Edwards, Dr Manningham, Mr Bromfield, Mr Melmoth, Mr Lovybond,

Dr Slare in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Edwards be put in mind of conferring farther with Mr Minshull abo the House which he gave to the Society.

The Secretary produced a Draught of a Letter to Monsr. Ostervald, which was Read, and Amendments Approv'd, Order'd to be Translated into French, & sent by the Post.

Mr Hearne was Approv'd as a Residing Member, and Mr Stubs to desire his Attenda

Sr John Philipps moving the Society that some Method may be thought of, which may promote Family-Prayer amongst such People who do not use it: Mr Stubs was desired to move this at the next Meeting of the London Divines at Sion-College, so as that they may all Agree to recomend Family Devotions in their Several Sermons, upon some appointed Day.

Agreed that this matter be also consider'd at the Meetings of this Society, when any of the Lords the Bishops ~~who~~ are present.

Dr Mapletoft desiring (by Mr Edwards) some of the Societies Books & Papers; Mr Treasurer was Order'd to furnish him.

Mr Stubs deliver'd in, the Subscriptions to Mr Sandylands & Mrs Everard & their receipts, whereby it appeared that he had Collected and paid $15^{li}.14^{s}.6^{d}$ to Mr Sandylands, & $9^{li}.2^{s}.9^{d}$ to Mrs Everard, that he had since Collected $1^{li}.9^{s}.0^{d}$ more for Mr Sandylands; and farther had given (according to Order) $2^{li}.17^{s}.0^{d}$ which was farther Collected for Mrs Everard to Mr Sandylands (she having relapsed into Quakerism) whereby Mr Sandylands had in all the sum of $20^{li}.2^{s}.6^{d}$.

The Society returned their Thanks to Mr Stubs, for his pains taken in this Affair.

Agreed that Mr Sandylands be a Correspondent for Chalk near Gravesend in Kent.

Mr Stubs moving the Society for a dozen Sea-Packets and some of their Books and Papers to distribute on board the Fleet: the Society Order'd 12 Sea-Packets & a Parcel of Books & Papers to be deliver'd to him, for this purpose.

Order'd that the Secretary do draw up a short Paragraph to be added to one of the General Letters to the Clergy-Correspondents, that they would promote Family Prayers in their Respective Parishes, & bring it to the next Meeting.

A Letter was Read from Mr Peploe of Preston, desiring some Papers to be paid for, & such other, which the Society would give: Order'd that the Treasurer do furnish him according to his discretion with a Parcel of such as the Society has: and that he buy such others as are to be paid for, which the Society has not.

A Letter was Read from Mr Fishenden of Rolvenden, giving hopes of Erecting a School in his Parish, and promising farther Accounts of his Progress in this Affair.

A Letter was Read from Mr Middleton of Cuckfield, giving hopes of some Contribution to the Scotch High-Land Libraries.

A Letter was Read from Mr Biddulph of Ledbury in Herefordshire, accepting the Correspondence, & certifying of a Design on foot, of setting up a School there for 20 or 30 poor Children, ~~them~~ to be Taught to Read & Work.

Thursday. 28 December, 1704 at Bartlet's Buildings.

Present, Mr Shute, Dr Slare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards the Secretary, Mr Nelson, the Ld Bp of Chester, Sr John Philipps, Mr Skate, Mr Mitchell & Mr Gardiner Correspondents; Mr Stubs, the Lord Bp of Chichester, Mr Melmoth, Mr Seaman, Mr Lloyd, Mr Worth a Correspondent.

Dr Slare in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Melmoth be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

~~[illegible]~~ The Secretary related from Mr Bulstrode, that he has been offer'd 90l. for the Houses given to the Society by Mr Neale; but that he insists upon 100 Guineas for them: whereupon the Society Agreed, that he and Dr Slare shall have Power to settle the whole Matter, as they shall think fit.

Sr John Philipps read part of a Letter written to him from Copenhagen by a Relation of his, certifying that divers of the Societies Tracts are Translated into ~~Danish~~ the German Language by the Procurement of Mr Hales; and Sr John Produc'd Specimens of them; as also the English Common-prayer book Translated into High-Dutch.

The Minutes of the last Week relating to Family-Prayer being taken into Consideration, and a little Tract entituled The Necessary Duty of Family-Prayer, &c being Produced: The Ld. the Bps. of Chester & Chichester were desired to ~~inspect~~ peruse the said Treatise, to make such Additions & Amendments to it, as shall be thought fit, (particulary as to Secret Prayers, & Graces before & after Meat.) and to give their Thoughts to the Society upon the Whole Matter in convenient time.

Order'd that Wm Carter's Accounts of his Receipts & Disbursements as to the houses given by Mr Mynshull to this Society, be Audited here this day sennight at 3 a clock by a Comittee, ~~and~~ Agreed that Mr Melmoth, Dr Slare, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Thibs, Mr Edwards Mr Seaman, or any 3 of them be this Committee.

Mr Treasurer Reported that he has received 2 . 10 . 0 . as a Benefaction to this Society from ~~a~~ an unknown Gentlewoman ~~who desires to be unknown~~ and that he did thereupon send her a little Parcel of Books & Papers, which the Society Approv'd.

A Letter was Read from Mr Edw. Bromfield at Boston in New-England dated the 9th of October last, to Mr Bromfield his brother ~~here~~ certifying the great Endeavors made ~~there~~ for promoting Religion, & the Practise of it, in their Parts; after the Example of the Religious Societies here. (Mr Chamb. has ye Copie of it.)

Order'd that the Secretary do draw up an Answer, and bring it to the next Meeting.

Order'd that a Parcel of the Societies books & Papers, be deliver'd to Mr Bromfield to be sent to ~~his~~ this Brother in New-England.

Mr Lloyd producing some Letters, some parts of them were read, ~~in English~~, vizt.

one from Mr Tronchin of Geneva, certifying that he with ~~one~~ Mr Turretin & some others ~~were composing~~ have Established a Liturgy like Ours, for Public use; and that he hopes ~~too~~ in time, they shall approach nearer to us.

another from Mr Ostervald, shewing the Advantages which might happen, if Mr Masson (who is now at Utrecht) might be persuaded to go into Swisserland, and there conferr with him & other Divines, about the Societies designs. And the Secretary was Order'd to write to Mr Masson & to tell him that the Society do desire him to go thither, in Order to promote their pious designs.

another was read, certifying that Mr Ostervald does desire a Virginian Bible, if such a one be printed, to put into a very fine Library lately erected at Neufchatel: upon which, the Society Agreed to put one of these Bibles into the ~~[illegible]~~ Parcel intended to be sent to him by the first Opportunity.

Thursday. January. 4. 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Melmoth, ~~Mr Hodges~~, Mr Nelson, Mr Hearne, Mr Jenner, Mr Shebs, Mr Richardson, Dr Slare, Mr Edwards,

Mr Melmoth in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Edwards be put in Mind of farther Conferring with Mr Mynshull about the houses which he gave to the Society.

Mr Richardson was Approoved for a Residing Member & Mr Jenner to desire his Attendance.

Mr Shute Reported from the Committee appoint~~ed~~ to Audit Wm Carters Accounts as to the houses given by Mr Mynshull to the Society, that they have Audited the same, and do find that he has recd 18li. 12s. 6d. & paid 19li. 19s. 2d. but that as this last Christmass Quarter there was due to the Society 25li. for Arrears of Rent. so that it appears by this Account, that the Balance of it, vizt. 1li. 6s. 8d. is due to Mr Carter; which Mr Treasurer was Order'd to pay him.

The Secretary producing a Draught of a Letter to Mr Bromfield, ~~&~~ it was Read, with some Amendments Approv'd, & Order'd to be sent.

Thursday. 11 January. 1704/5 Bartlet's Buildings.

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Dr Manningham, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Wyndham, Mr Ernle, Mr Melmoth, Mr Richardson, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester, Mr Nelson, Dr Slare, Mr Edwards,

Mr Melmoth in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Bulstrode & Dr Slare be put in mind of the Affair relating to the Houses given by Mr Neale.

Order'd that the Secretary do wait on the D. Bp. of Chester about the Treatise relating to Family Prayer, referr'd to his Lordships Consideration.

Order'd that the Secretary do procure an Irish Bible, a Welsh Bible, and ~~the~~ a Welsh Common prayer book, in order to be sent to Mr Ostervald.

Mr Treasurer moving that his Accounts may be Audited, the Society Agreed that it shall be done this Day Sennight, by a Committee, to meet at 3 a clock.

Agreed that Mr Melmoth, Sr John Philipps, Mr Ernle, Mr Wyndham, Mr Richardson, Dr Slare, Mr Seaman, Mr Jenner, or any three of them be that Committee.

A Letter was Read from Mr Horton of Chaderton in Lancash. desiring some Books & Papers to be paid for.

A Letter was Read from Mr Laurence of Yelvertoft in Northampt. accepting ye Correspondence.

A Letter was Read from Mr Wheler of Gloster, wherein he certifie's hi[illegible]pes of erecting a Society of Clergy there.

A Letter was Read from Mr Middleton of Cuckfield, concerning the Settlement of Mr Lightmakers intended School. & the Ld. Bp. of Chichester promis'd to write to Mr Lightmaker about it.

Thursday. 18. January, 1704/5. Bartlet's Building,

Present, Mr Thuts, Mr Seaman, Mr Brewster, Sr. John Philipps, Mr Wyndham, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr. Rich. Bulkeley a Correspondent, Mr Andrews, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Jenner, Mr Newman a Correspondent. Coll Colchester, Mr Edwards, Mr Richardson, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester,

Sr Richard Bulkeley in the Chair, Mr Melmoth being absent.

Upon a Report made by Sr. John Philipps, from Mr Bulstrode,

Order'd that the Secretary do wait on Mr Mynshull, & receive his directions as to writing to Mr Deacon the Ground-Landlord of the houses in Glocester-court, about empowring Mr Midgeley & Mr Gilbert the Scriveners, (who menage his Affairs in Town,) to procure him such a new Tenant for the said houses, as may prove to his Satisfaction.

Mr Treasurer relating that one of the Tenants of the Houses in Glocester-Court is in great Arrears, and that he is not very able to pay: Mr Carter was Order'd to wait on Mr Wyndham, who know's ~~his~~ the former Receiver of the ~~said~~ Rents, and receive his Instructions about ~~the ability of this Tenant~~, getting the said Arrears, before he goes to the House: and that he make a report of what has been done in this matter, at next Meeting.

Mr Wyndham moving the Society for a parcel of A.B. Tillotsons Sermons (about frequent Communion) in Welsh, to distribute in Glamorgan-shire;

Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Vaughan of Derllys (who had 5000 of the same Books lately sent to him) and desire to know whether he ~~designs~~ intends to disperse any of them in the Diocess of Llandaffe, & if he does to desire him to put some of 'em into the hands of this Societies Correspondents there.

Mr Mitchel reported that the boys & Girls in the Schools at St. Martins in the fields, are put into a New-School there and are proposed to be increased to the number of 50 Boys, & 40 Girls.

Also that at the New Chapel in Westminster, on the Sunday next before Christmass, there was Collected 47li.

Also that the last Sunday, there was Collected at St. Margt's Church, the sum of 78li.15s.00d.

Also that there is about 20li p ann subscribed towards a Charity-School at the Savoy.

Mr Gardiner Reported that the Sunday after Christmass, there was Collected at St James's Church, the sum of 80li.

Also that the Lady O Brian did bequeath 100li; & a servant of the Earl of Scarborough has also bequeathed 20li to the ~~same~~ School at St. James's.

Also that at St. Ann's Church, the Sunday before Christmass, there was Collected 85li.

Mr Skate reported that there is a great likelyhood of setting up a Charity-School in St. Olave's Parish in Southwark, and desired some books, & other necessaries towards the fitting it up. ~~which~~ whereupon the Society allowed them a sum for this purpose, not exceeding 50 shillings.

Also, that there is the same likelyhood of setting up another School, at Bermondsey, one person offering to subscribe 10li thereunto.

Sr. John Philipps Reported from the Committee appointed to audit Mr Treasurer's Accounts, that they have Audited the same accordingly, and do find that there is 25li. 17s. 11½d due to Mr Treasurer.

Order'd that the Secretary do write to the Lord Bp. of Hereford, & desire to know what Books his

Lordship has Translated into Welsh, & Printed, or ~~has ready~~ designs to Print; to the end th
others may be prevented from Translating the same Treatises again. ~~[illegible]~~

A Letter from Mr. Russel of Wappin to Mr Skate was Read, desiring that he would use his Interest among such Pious Persons as he is acquainted with, to procure 5l for compleating the School-house there.

Order'd that Mr Bulstrode be putt in Mind of selling the houses at Ware.

Mr Treasurer produced an Irish & a Welsh-Bible, ~~[illegible]~~ to be sent to Mr Ostervald, and the Society order'd him to pay for 'em.

Mr Edwards proffer'd to send with these books, the Gospels and Acts in the Malayan Language, and Mr Treasurer was desired to receive it.

The Lord Bp. of Chichester moving the Society for a parcel of Books & Papers, to be distributed on board the Ship now ready to sail for Lisbon. The Society Order'd a parcel, the value not exceeding 15 Shilings, to be deliver'd to ~~Mr~~ his Lordship for this purpose.

Mr Treasurer acquainted the Society that Mr Hawes did formerly print the Titles of most of the little pious Tracts lately printed, in a Sheet: whereupon the Society Order'd 1000 of them to be bought when Reprinted with the proper Additions.

Mr Edwards acquainted the Society that he has received Letters from Mr Kirkwood, Mr Meldrom, & Mr Wilke the now Prolocutor to the General Assembly in Scotland, ~~that he has~~ desiring him to ~~send~~ deliver the Libraries given to the Highlands, & now in his possession, to such persons as shall call upon him for them; and that he having written to the Trustees about ~~the~~ it, he has the Content of some of them already, & expects that of the Rest.

Thursday. 25 January, 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings.

Preſent, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Wyndham, Mr Ernle, Mr Palmer, Coll Colchester, Mr Lloyd. Mr Edwards.

Sr. John Philipps in the Chair, upon Mr Melmoth's request.

Agreed that the Lord Bp. of Chichester be desired to give the Society his Opinion of the little Tract ~~late~~ about Family prayer mention'd in the Minutes of 28th. December & the 11th of January.

Mr Rolt was Approv'd for a Residing Member, and Mr Melmoth to desire his Attendance.

Mr Wyndham was desired to take the Chair during the Insuing Month.

Agreed that a Specimen of the Societies books & papers be laid upon the Table, in Order to a farther Examination: and that this matter be Consider'd when any of the Lords the Bps. are present.

Order'd that a Catalogue of the Societies Books & Papers do lye upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the Society.

Agreed that 5l be deliver'd to Mr Skate, &c. for compleating the School-house at Wappin.

Order'd that some of the Tracts entituled the Whole Duty of a Christian, ~~or~~ the Minutes of the 2d of November last, be laid upon the Table at next Meeting, to be perused by the Members of the Society.

Resolv'd that no Tract ~~[illegible]~~ be put into the Packet before it be examin'd and approv'd by the Society.

Letters were read from Mr Foster of Stamford, & Mr Turner of Mansel's hope in Herefordshire, both accepting the Correspondence.

A Letter was read from Sr G. Wheler at Durham, certifying that the Dean & Prebendaries do maintain 50 poor Children in four petty Schools, in somany parts of Durham; and that they think it more convenient to have them taught so, than in one School.

Thursday. 1. February, 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, Coll Colchester, Mr Shute, the Secretary; Mr Wesley, Mr Skate, Mr Mitchel & Mr Gardiner Correspondents, Mr Hoare, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Mr Bromfield, Mr Edwards, Dr Manningham.

Dr Manningham in the Chair, Mr Wyndham being absent.

Order'd that the Secretary do ~~[illegible]~~ put Mr Carter in mind of attending the Society in order to their being appris'd of the state of their concerns, as to the houses in Gloster Cour

Mr Mitchel presented a paper explaining what was briefly inserted in the Minutes of the 18th of Jan. last, touching the School of St Martin in the Fields. vizt that the Vicar & Churchwardens will apply 30li p ann out of the Offertory-money, 40li p ann in Million Lottery Tickets for 6 years to come, & an Army Debenture for 80li principal, to the encreasing the School with 30 Boys & 10 Girls, morethan are now Taught there so that the whole number, will be 80 boys & 50 Girls, in all ~~[illegible]~~ 130.

Also that on Sunday the   of December last there was Collected at St Clement-Dan Church-Door ~~[illegible]~~ about 32li, besides 10li which Mr Attorney-General sent presently of with a promiss to contribute so much yearly to the Charity School in that parish.

Agreed that Mr Bulstrode be put in mind of selling the houses in Ware.

The former Motions about furnishing ~~[illegible]~~ wales with Libraries being taken into Considera ordered that ~~[illegible]~~ this Matter be farther Consider'd at next Meeting, & that Sr H. Mackworth & Mr Shute be desired to be present.

Mr Woodcock was Approv'd as a Residing Member, & Mr Bromfield to desire his Attendance,

Mr Skate Reported that the last Lord's day there was a quarterly sermon preached at Aldg for ye Charity School there, by Dr Kennett, and 10li. 5s. 6d collected upon it.

Mr Wyndham being to return into ye Countrey, Agreed that the Lord Guilford be desired to take ye Chair during this Month.

r Shute being about to go to Abingdon, the Society order'd him a parcel of Books & Papers not exceeding 20s. in Value.

A Letter was Read from Mr Gibson of Welbourne, who desires a parcel of Books & Papers to be paid for; propose's a paper to be drawn up, like those of the Duty of Children & Servants, reminding ye Country Parochial Ministers of theirs; & presenting a bill for 5 guineas, which is given to the Society by a friend of his who desires not to be known: which Benefactor was Order'd a double Packet.

A Letter was read from Mr Pearks of Worcester, giving hopes of setting up a Society of Clergy there, & a Charity School in his Parish (St. Nicholas's) whereupon the Society order'd him a Packet wherein is to be put 6 of Mr D. of Lincoln's Sermons, wth ye Account of Schools.

A Letter was Read from Mr Reynel of Horsham in Sussex, promising to promote ye Societies designs, as far as he can.

Thursday. 8 **February**, 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Dr Hare, Mr Wesley a Correspondent, Mr Edwards; Mr Mitchell a Correspondent, the Secretary;

Dr Hare being sent for away and the rest being not a Quorum, there was no Meeting.

Thursday. 15 Febr. 1704/5 Bartlet's Buildings.

Present Sr John Philipps, Mr Stubs Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Mr Chamberlayne (Mr Keith Mr Wesley Correspondents) Sr Adam Hustler, Mr Hoar Sr H. Mackworth Dr Manningham, Mr Herne, Sr Rd Bulkeley, Mr Nelson Mr Bromfield, Coll Colchester, Mr Edwards, Mr Lloyd, Mr Brewster. ~~Sr H. Mackworth~~ ~~Mr Woodcock~~, [illegible],

Mr Meller in the Chair Ld Guilford being Absent.

Agreed that the Minute of the 25 Jan: abt Family Prayer be consider'd at next Meeting, & that the Secretary do wait on the Ld Bp of Chichester & desire his Lps Presence upon that occasion.

The Business of Reviewing the Society's Books & Papers was Adjourned to the next Meeting.

Agreed that all the Members of this Society that are of the Clergy be particularly desired to Attend at the next Meeting, & that the occasion of Summoning them be specified in the Notice given to them.

Mr Taylor approved of, & Mr Melmoth to desire his Attendance.

Mr Stubs Reported that Mr Varlow of Portsmouth had sent the Society a small Benefaction of Thirty shillings ordered that Mr Stubs do Return him the Thanks of ye Society.

Sr Rd Bulkeley Reported from a letter lately received from Mr Ram that Six unknown Persons had set up a Charity-school in Dublin for Teaching 50 Poor Boys with a Master & Mistress, since May last Caps & Bands being given them that there is another School for 25 Girls erecting in St Pauls Parish in the same City, & that a Method has been propos'd for doing the like in every Parish of that City.

Mr Stubs moved the Society that a small Packet of the Societys ~~small~~ little Tracts not exceeding Ten shillings be given him for the use of Seamen in Greenwich Hospital, which was Agreed to.

Mr Shute moved the Society for a Packet of small Tracts not exceeding Thirty shillings in value for the use of her Maties ship Kent upon the Request of Mr Beauvoir ye Chaplain which was Agreed to.

Agreed that Mr Thorold be desir'd to Consult with Mr Hare Chaplain General to the Army abt Dispersing a Great Quantity of the Souldiers Monitors amongst the English Army, which were formerly Deposited in his Hands for that purpose.

Mr Shute moved the Society in the name of the Trustees for Redriff School that Fifty Copies of the Dean of Lincolns Sermon abt Charity Schools may be given to them, they conceiving that it will very much Promote that Design, Agreed that Fifty Sermons be given to the sd Trustees.

Ordered that Mr Secretary write to the Bp of Hereford to know whether he approves of the translation of the Welsh Bible printed ~~[illegible]~~ abt 18 years since for this Society having ~~[illegible]~~ a Designe of Distributing ~~[illegible]~~ some of them: ~~or to recommend for~~ that he wd please to give his Opinion ~~of~~ wt translation he thinks best.

Agreed that Mr Shute be desired to bring his Books all abt the Welsh Librarie at the next Meeting

Agreed

[illegible] that Mr Shute do buy 100 of Dr Tillotson's Sermon agt Popery Entitled The Hazard of being Saved in the Church of Rome, on 1. Cor. 3. 15.

Thursday. 22. **February**. 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings.

Present, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Shute, Mr Hoare, Mr Nelson, Sr John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Jenner, Mr Brewster, Dean of Lincoln, Mr Wesley a Correspondent, Mr A. W. Chetwood a Correspondent, Mr Wyndham, Dr Manningham, Sr Wm Hustler, Mr Hort, Mr Meller, Dr Slare, Mr Edwards, ~~Mr Richardson~~, Mr Woodcock,

Mr Nelson in the Chair; the Right Honble the Lord Guilford being absent.

Order'd that Mr Carter do bring in his Accounts, as to the Houses in Gloster Court, presently after Lady-day.

Agreed that Mr Bulstrode be put in Mind of Selling the Houses in Ware.

Order'd that 5 li [illegible] be applied to the ~~Encouraging~~ Promoting the Charity School at Shadwell, out of the Ld Bp of Worcester's Subscription.

Agreed that a Packet of Books & Papers be, upon Mr Shute's Motion, deliver'd to a late unknown Benefactor.

Order'd that a Packet be deliver'd to the Countess Dowager of Derby, upon the Request of Mr Lloyd.

Mr Nelson Reported that Mr Hodges has recd a Benefaction of 5 li, to be laid out in Bp Beveridge's Exposition of the Church Catechism, and desires the Advice of the Society, about the Disposing of them, which the Society were of opinion, might be best done in the Diocese of St Davids.

Mr Thubb's Proposals for Erecting Lending-Libraries in Wales were Read, & with an Amendment Approved, and Order'd to be Printed forthwith; and Sr Hu. Mackworth, Sr J. Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Hooke, Mr Edwards, ~~and~~ Mr Brumfield, Mr Wyndham ~~[illegible] gentlemen~~ were Nominated ~~as~~ a Committee, to fill up ye blank spaces with the Names of Receivers & Trustees.

Orderd that a Parcel of Books about ~~[illegible]~~ Family Prayers, not exceeding 40s in value be deliver'd to Sr John Philipps for Mr Vaughan of Derllys to disperse in Wales.

A Letter was read from Mr Pepler of Preston, owning the receipt of the parcel of Papers lately sent to him, and complaining of the ignorance of the neighbouring poor, who are apt to be seduced, to embrace ~~[illegible] to embrace~~ Popery.

A Letter was read from Mr Horton of Chalderton owning ye receit of the books he lately wrote for, & returning a Bill for ye money.

Another from Mr Thurmy, who is ~~[illegible]~~ removed to Kingston upon Thames, & owns ye receipt of ye Societie's last Packet to him.

Another from Mr Croke of Tinwell near Stamford, who accepts ye Correspondence, & sent 10s as a gift to ye Society.

Another from Mr Ostervald of Neufchâtel, importing that Mr Scherer of St. Gall is translating Mr Nelsons Book of the Feasts & Festivals.

Another from Mr Lightmaker of Horsted, setting forth his great weakness of Body and that he intends to endow his School, with a New Brick-house, Barn & Stable; a strong Brewhouse of Brick, the Farm upon which the School is built; a Coppice of 5 Acres, worth in all about 18li p ann; as also the revenue, or yearly Income or Interest of 20li p ann.

Thursday. 1. March. 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings

Present Mr Shute, Mr Thubs, Dr Davies, Mr Nelson, Mr Edwards, the Secretary; Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Melmoth, Mr Wyndham, Dr Manningham, Mr Wesley a Correspondent, the Lord Bp. of Chichester, Coll Colchester, Dr Hare,

Mr Wyndham in the Chair

Agreed that Mr Wyndham be Chairman for this Month.

~~Agreed that the Lord Bp. of Chichester be put in Mind of giving his Opinion of the Tracts about Family Prayer, refer'd to his Consideration.~~

~~Dr Manningham was desired to peruse~~

Orderd that 20 of Dr Mason's Sermon preach'd in 1605 & now reprinted ~~about the Holy Orders~~ be bought against ~~next~~ Meeting.

Orderd that the Whole Duty of A Christian be put into the Packet.

Agreed that Dr Manningham & Mr Nelson do attend his Grace the A.B. of York, & desire him, in the Name of this Society, to Print his Excellent Sermon ~~lately~~ about keeping a good Conscience, which he lately preach'd in the Church of St Andrews Holborn

Mr Gibson's book of Family Prayer being Read & Approv'd by divers Memb[illegible] of the Society, was propos'd to be put into the Packet; and Mr Shute was desired [illegible] to confer with him about the easiest way of procuring a Number of them

Mr Wesley acquainted the Society that he is endeavoring to procure the Erection of a Charity school at Epworth his Parish, and that 13£ p anno is already subscribed thereto.

Mr Edwards propos'd the reprinting Mr Frank's Letter containing an account of the Societies proceedings, with proper Additions, & Alterations; and he was desired to communicate his remarks to Mr Frank, and the Secretary Order'd to desire him to revise the said Paper.

Mr Shute propos'd that a certain Chapter in the Present State of England, describing the several Societies in London be reprinted: the Society Agreed to take this into Consideration when Mr Chamberlayne is present.

Mr Wyndham produc'd an Extract from a Letter written by Dr Bray, Feb. 27. 1704/5. in these ~~[illegible]~~ ~~ing~~ words, "I rec'd a Letter the last week from Mr Jablonski Chaplain to the K. of Prussia, who "inform's me that that Prince pull'd out of his Pocket one of the Soldiers Monitors in his grea[illegible] "Councill, & told them that he had read it over with great Satisfaction. The Baron Fuccius di[illegible] "also express his being affected by it, & the K. order'd that every one of his Soldiers should "have one given him, & his Majesty is pleas'd to take one with him in all his Expeditions. "The K. of Sweden has done the same, with the addition of the Caution to Swearers at "the end of it.

Thursday. 8 **March** 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Mellor, Mr Woodcock, Mr Bromfield, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Mr Skate Mr Mitchel & Mr Gardiner Correspondents, Mr Hodges, the Lord Bp. of Chichester Mr Williams a Correspondent, Mr Edwards, Sr Rich. Bulkeley a Correspondent, Mr Shute,

Mr Wyndham in the Chair,

Order'd that 12 of the Dean of Lincoln's Sermons, & 3 quires of the Acct. of Schools be deliverd to Mr Skate to be sent to Maidstone where they are wanted.

Mr Skate Reported that 9£ p anno is Subscribed toward a Charity School in the Parish of St. Olaves Southwark.

Agreed that Mr Williams of Denbigh in North-Wales be a Corresponding Member of this Society, upon the Motion of the Lord Bp. of Chichester,

Order'd that Mr Carter be reminded of bringing in his Accounts after Lady-day.

Order'd that 6 of Mr Whiston's late printed Sermons about Charity-Schools be deliver'd t[illegible] Mr Lloyd, & as many to the Secretary, to be dispers'd in Oxford.

. Order'd that the Secretary do give the Thanks of this Society to Mr
for his said late excellent Sermon, & for his great Care & Pains taken all along in that Affair.

Order'd that one of Mr Nelson's Fasts & Festivals, one of ye Translations of Mr Ostervald's Catechisms, & a Packet be presented to Mr Holmiers, as an Acknowledgment of his Favors in transmitting the Books of this Society beyond ye Seas.

Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne do acquaint Mr Hare Chaplain General to the Army, that there are about 1500 Soldiers Monitors lodg'd at Rotterdam, which the Society does desire him to disperse amongst the English Soldiers in Holland.

Agreed that the Sermons of Dr Mason lately bought, be given to the Correspondts according to Mr Treasurer's discretion.

Mr Nelson Reported that he had spoken to the A.B. of York, who promis'd to let this Society have an Impression of his Sermon upon Keeping a good Conscience.

A Letter was Read from Mr Wheler of Gloucester, certifying that he has lately sett up a Society of the Clergy there.

A Letter was Read from Mr Laurence of Yelvertoft in Northamptonshire accepting the Correspondence.

A Letter was Read from Mr Vaughan of Derllys, certifying that the 5000 of ABp. Tillotson's Perswasives in Welsh lately transmitted to him, are all to be distributed in Carmarthenshire, & recommending divers Gentlemen to be Corresponding Members of this Society.

Thursday. 15. March. 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Mr Wyndham, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards, Mr Wesley a Correspondent, the L. Bp. of Chichester, Mr Hore, Sr Rich. Bulkeley a Correspondent, Mr Meller,

Mr Wyndham in the Chair

Mr Treasurer Related that Mr Whitledge the Bookseller, upon Dr Gibson's Request, is willing to allow this Society to Reprint 2000 Copies of the Drs Family-Prayers, which Mr Treasurer says may be done for about ~~11 or 9~~ 13. or 14. pounds; whereupon the Society Agreed that 2000 Copies be accordingly Printed, & Added to the Packett.

Mr Wesley Related that the Subscriptions toward ye intended Charity-School at Epworth, do now amount to 16li p ann

A Letter was Read from Mr A. D. Frank, wherein he promises to Revise the Pa mentiond in the Minutes of the first Instant; & certifies that the Books which the Soci sent to him, were by him distributed at his Visitation with very good Effect. whereup the Society Agreed to send ~~to send~~ him another Parcell, when Dr Gibsons Family-Pra are Printed.

Minute about Reprinting the Chapter in the Present State of England being taken into Consideration, the Society Agreed that Mr Frank should be desired to ~~[illegible]~~ Revise The Short Account, and to make the necessary Alterations & Additions to it. ~~And~~ Sr Rich. Bulkeley promis'd to write to Mr Frank about it.

Agreed that 6 of Mr Nelson's Fasts & Festivals be bought &, deliver'd to Mr Skate, (upon his request.) who will disperse them ~~amongst~~ where they are wanted.

Mr Edwards Related that Mr Hooker of Sandy in Bedfordshire, has long since receiv'd the Society's first General Letter, & does Accept the Correspondence.

Order'd that the Secretary do again wait on Mr Minshull, about the Houses in Glocester-Court: and that Mr Bulstrode be put in Mind of selling the Houses at Ware.

Resolved that no more of Dr Masons Sermons be bought by this Society, till the Common Prayers, & Tracts about Restitution (mention'd in the ~~[illegible]~~ Minutes of 20. Nov. ~~1704~~ 8. April. 1703:) be distributed by the Society.

The Ld. Bp. of Chichester. Related that he had heard it frequently Observ'd, that this Society does send too many Books & Papers, in their Packet, to their Correspondents.

A Letter was read from Mr Parks, of Worcester, desiring 100 Christian Scholars to be paid fo

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Thursday. 22. March. 1704/5. Bartlet's Buildings.

Present, Sr Richard Bulkeley a Correspondent, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlay
Mr Edwards, Mr Woodcock, the Secretary, Mr Meller, Mr Taylor.

Sr Richard Bulkeley in the Chair, Mr Wyndham being absent

Mr Edwards Related from Mr Skate, that the Subscriptions towards the School at St Olave's Southwark, are now advanc'd to 21£ p ann.

Mr Treasurer. Reported that he has recd ~~a Benefaction of~~ 1 Guinea from Mr Colton, which a friend of his send's as a Benefaction to the Society.

A Letter was read from Mr Barcroft Treasurer to the Church of Chichester, accepting the Correspondence.

A Letter from Mr Shibs to the Secretary was read, certifying that the Proposals for the Welsh Libraries are sett by the Printer, and desiring that some of them may (if approv'd) be wrought off, and sent to ~~[illegible]~~ some of those who are Named as Trustees: But the Society was of Opinion that no Copies can as yet be wrought off, because it does not, as yet, appear that divers of those Lords & Gentlemen are appris'd of the matter, or have given their Consents to be Trustees.

Resolv'd that no persons Name be printed to the said Proposals, as a Trustee, till he have given his Consent thereunto.

Order'd that a Parcel of Mr Dean of Lincolns Sermons & of the Tracts relating to ye Family-Prayers, &c. be sent to Mr A.D. Frank, to be distributed by him at his Visitation.

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Thursday. 29. March. 1705. Bartlet's Buildings

Present. Mr Shute, Dr Slare, Mr Shermy, & Mr Skate, & Mr Gardiner Correspondents, Mr Edwards, who not being a quorum, there was no Meeting.

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Thursday. 5. April, 1705. Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Keith a Correspondent, Mr Tubs, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards, Mr Bromfield, Dr Slare, Mr Skate, Mr Mitchel & Mr Gardiner Correspondents

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair.

1 Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be Chairman for this Month.

2 Order'd that Mr Bulstrode be put in mind of selling the Houses at Ware.

3. Mr Fox was approv'd for a Residing Member, & Mr Hore to desire his Attendance.

4. Mr Shute Reported that he has recd 5li given to this Society towards Charity-School by a Gentleman unknown, to whom he was desir'd to return the Thanks of the Society for the same.

5. Mr Nelson Reported that the Trustees of the Charity-Schools had met, and agreed that the poor Children should walk in Procession to St Sepulchres Church the Thursday in Whitson-Week, & there hear a Sermon; and that they did desire that the Dean of Canterbury would preach the same: and that upon the application of Mr Skate to him, he had written to Mr Dean about it, who was pleas'd not to decline it.

6. Mr Gardiner Reported that there is a New School about to be Erected in the Parish of St Giles's in the Fields, and that 30li p ann is Subscribed thereunto.

7 Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be desired to cause Dr Birch to be confer'd with, about the setting up a Charity-school in his Parish, whereunto there appear's a good Disposition in his Parishioners.

Order'd that the Secretary do make an Extract out of this Journal of what has been done as to Charity Schools within these twelve-months, and that he do bring it to the next Meeting.

Order'd that 250 of Mr Thibbs's Proposals for Erecting Libraries in Wales, be wrought off, & dispers'd by Mr Treasurer.

Mr Mitchel Reported that the last Sunday there was Collected li 21. s 18. d 0 at the Church of St Martins in the Fields, for the support of ye Charity School there.

Also that the Sunday before there was above 50li collected at St James's Church, for the Charity Schools in that parish.

Agreed that 500 of Mr Dean of Lincolns Sermons be deliver'd to Mr Skate at his Request.

Thursday. 12. April, 1705. Bartlet's Building

Present, Mr Shute, Sr Richard Bulkeley (a Correspondent,) Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Serjt Hooke, Mr Melmoth, the Secretary: Mr Stubs

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair.

Dr Gibson was Approv'd for a Residing Member, & Mr Shute to desire his Attendance.

Sr Richard Bulkeley propos'd that a little Treatise Entituled The Christian Education of Children recommended to be used in Charity-Schools, might be perused by some of the Members of the Society, & if approv'd, put into the Packet. Whereupon the Society refer'd it to Dr Manningham, Mr Serjt Hooke, & Mr Shute.

Mr Shute made a like Motion as to another Tract Entituled Forms of Prayer before, at, & after the receiving the Holy Sacrament; And the Society did refer it to the perusal of Dr Manningham & Mr Nelson.

Order'd that the Secretary do write to ~~the~~ such of the Correspondents, as he shall think proper to be consulted, about the State of such Charity-Schools as have been Erected within these twelve months.

The Secretary presented the Extract, Order'd to be made the last Week, and it was refer'd to the perusal of Mr Edwards.

A Letter was read from the Master of University College, ~~cert~~ approving the design of Erecting Charity-Schools in Oxford, certifying that he has dispers'd some of Mr Whistons Sermons lately sent to him, and desiring more: whereupon ye Society Order'd him a dozen more.

Thursday. 19. April. 1705. Bartlet's Buildings.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, (Mr Keith, Mr Grabe, & Mr Shermy Correspondents,) Dr Mapletoft, Mr Andrews, Mr Fox, Mr Serjt Hooke, Dr Slare, Mr Nelson, Mr Hore, Mr Edwards, Mr Woodcock, Mr Seaman.

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair.

Order'd that Mr Bulstrode be put in mind of Selling the houses at Ware.

Mr Chamberlayne Related that Mr Bull the Druggist has conferr'd with Dr Bin & his Curate about setting up a Charity-School in St Bride's Parish, and that they both seem'd so well inclined to it, that he ~~did~~ not doubt but that the Matter may be concluded if the Agents do attend ~~the~~ Mr Bull upon this Occasion; whereupon the Society Order'd the Secretary to desire Mr Skate, Mr Mitchel & Mr Gardiner to wait on Mr Bull ~~on them~~ with all convenient speed.

Dr Mapletoft moving the Society for some of their Books & Papers to disperse among the Pensioners in Greenwich-Hospitall: the Society Order'd him a parcel, the value not exceeding 40s.

Dr Slare acquainted the Society, that Mr Frank of Hall, has written hither, that the Dean of Lincoln's Sermon preached to the Poor Children, & Dr Woodward's Account of Societies, are [illegible] in Germany [illegible]

Mr Shute Reported that the last Sunday there was 43·17·6, collected at the Church doors of St Anne's Westminster.

The Society sent one of the Dean of Lincoln's Sermons, & of ye Acct of Schools, to the Dean of Canterbury.

A Letter was read from Mr A. D. Frank, desiring the perusal of the Society's Papers, which was Agreed to.

A Letter was read from Mr Portman at Munsley desiring some Books to be paid for.

Thursday. 26 April, 1705 Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, (Mr Keith a Correspondent.) Mr Meller, Mr Jenner, Mr Palmer, (Mr Shermy a Correspondent,) Mr Dessray a Correspondent, Mr Taylor, Mr Edwards, Mr Bromfield, Mr Melmoth, Dr Slare,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair,

Agreed that the Report as to the Treatise Entituled The Christian Education of Children, &c. be Adjourn'd till it be farther perused by the Members of the Society.

Agreed that the Report as to the Tract Entituled Forms of Prayer, &c. be Adjourn'd till Dr Manningham or Mr Nelson be Present.

Agreed that Dr Davies be put in Mind of the Tract about Restitution which he formerly promis'd to procure ~~for~~ to be drawn up for the Society.

Mr Shermy said that a friend of his has a Manuscript written upon Restitution which he promised to endeavor to procure for Dr Davies's friend.

Mr Shute Reported that he has lately rec'd (by the hands of Mr Melmoth,) 10 Guineas as a Benefaction from an unknown person, who desires that part of it may be layd out in Bibles & Common-prayer books, which the Society agreed to, and order'd their thanks to be return'd to the Donor.

Agreed that Mr Meller be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Mr Treasurer reported that he had sent Mr Shebs, upon his Letter, 100 Christians Way to Heaven, to disperse in Greenwich-hospital, which the Society Allowed.

A Letter was read from Mr Vaughan of Derllys to Mr Shute, desiring that the Society would recommend the Subject of Family Devotion to the Clergy of England & Wales, referring a Draught of a Letter to this purpose to their Consideration; whereupon the Society ~~Agreed~~ Order'd the Letter to lie upon the Table and that some proper Methods be taken of procuring this Matter to be recommended by the Lords the Bps.

Mr Edwards proposed to the Society a Method of furnishing the Country Poor with Bibles & Common-Prayers at the easiest Rates, whereupon the Society desired that He & Mr Fox would bring in in writing their thoughts on this Matter to the next Meeting.

Mr Edwards also propos'd the Binding up of some Prayers ~~to~~ with the Common-prayer either those printed at the end of that book in the time of K. James the I. or such other as shall be thought fit, the Consideration ~~of~~ whereof the Society Adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

A Letter was Read from Mr Foster of Devizes, certifying his desiring to promote the Designs of the Society; that the Societies thereabout do yet exist, as also the School he has set up in his Parish, and that he had sent up 40s toward the Scotch-Libraries.

Th Thursday. 3. May, 1705. Bartlet's Buildings

Present, Mr Shute, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Nelson, Mr Meller (Mr Barclay a Correspondent) the Secretary: Mr Hoare, Mr Edwards, Mr [redacted] Fox, Mr Jenner, Dr Slare,

Mr Meller in the Chair.

Order'd that half a dozen of Dr Gibson's Family-Devotions be given to each of the Residing Members of this Society; and that Mr Treasurer do distribute the rest of those Printed for this Society among the Corresponding Members, according to his Discretion.

Agreed that of the Benefaction given by Mr Melmoth's friend, 6 Guineas be laid out in Bibles & 4 Guineas in Common-prayer-books.

Mr Edwards presented his Thoughts about furnishing the Country Poor with with Bibles & Common prayers, which being read the Society Order'd as followeth.

Orderd that the Secretary do draw up a short Letter to the Clergy Correspondents, to accompany the Societies presents of Dr Gibson's Family-Devotion, & to recommend the practise of it; as also a paragraph to the same purpose in order to be added to the [redacted] General Letter, ~~upon the~~ and that ~~him~~ he do bring 'em to the next Meeting.

Orderd that in the Letter above-mention'd, the Secretary do insert a paragraph recommending to the Clergy-Correspondents, the furnishing their more ignorant Parishioners with Common prayers, & Tracts teaching the use of the same, ~~at a very easy rate~~ partly by the Societies gift, & partly at the easiest Rate.

Agreed, that 12li, (besides the 4 Guineas abovementioned) be laid out in Common-prayer-books, to be sent into the Countrey, whereof one half is to be given, the other to be paid for.

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Agreed that a 4to Bible be sent to the County-Gaol in Salisbury, ~~for~~ for the use of the Prisoners therein.

Fr. Thursday. 10. May. 1705. Bartlet's Buildings.

Present, Mr Meller, Sr Edmund Turner, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Jenner, Mr Shebs, Mr Mitchell & Mr Gardiner Correspondents,

Mr Meller in the Chair.

Mr Shebs related that he had distributed the 100 Xtians Way to Heaven among the Seamen in Greenwich Hospital, that they were recd very thankfully; and, as he hop'd, would do much good.

The Secretary produced a Draught of a letter to the Clergy Correspondents, which being read, was (with some amendments) Approv'd, and order'd to be Copied & Sent.

The Secretary produced a Draught of a Paragraph to be inserted into the first General Letter, which was Read, (with an Amendment) Approved, and Order'd to be inserted into the [illegible] Copies of it.

Ordered that the Secretary do draw up a Draught of a short Letter to the Correspondents, to accompany the Parcels of the Family Devotions, wherein he is to mention the [redacted] Method whereby the Countrey Poor may be furnish'd wth Common-prayers at the Easiest Rates: and that he do bring it to the next Meeting.

Agreed that the Parcels to be sent to the Correspondents, be of two sorts. One sort is to comprehend 10 Common-prayer-books, 6 of Dr Gibson's Family Devotions; 10 of Dr. Beveridge's Sermons upon the usefulness of ye Common-prayer, & 10 Three Earnest [redacted] Exhortations to family Prayer, & 3 of Dr Woodward's Family Prayers. The other Parcel is to consist of 3 of Dr Gibsons Fam. Devotions, 3 Earnest Exhortations, & 3 of Dr Woodwards Family Prayers.

Mr Gardiner Reported that there is a Subscription begun in the Parish of St. Giles in the Fields, for the support of 2 Schools, vizt. 1 for 50 Boys, & the other for 50 Girls, and that his already advanced to 140 li. p ann. and that the School-houses are designed to be those 2 houses which Dr Leech did lately bequeath to such a Use; the Ground-Rent of the same, being about 10 li. p ann.

Fr.

17. May. 1705.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, (Mr Newman a Correspondent,) Mr Hoare, Mr Jenner, Mr Fox, The Lord Guilford, Mr Edwards, (Mr Skate & Mr Gardiner Correspondents

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair,

Agreed that 1000 Copies of the Sheet-Accts of Schools, with the proper Amendments, be re-printed at the Charge of this Society.

Mr Skate Reported that the Subscription to the School of St. Olave's amount now to 26 li. p ann.

Mr Skate presented a Letter from Mr Ellis of Sheffield, who desiring some of the Accts of Schools, ~~whereupon~~ the Society Orderd Mr Treasurer to furnish him with 50 of the Dean of Lincolns Sermons, & 50 of the Sheet-Accounts.

The Secretary Produced a draught of a Letter, according to Order, which was Read, Amended, & Orderd to be sent.

[redacted] Agreed that 1 Common-prayer book, be sent to each of the Correspondents in the Case or Packet.

Agreed that 1 of the Whole Duties of a Christian, & 1 of ABp Tillotsons Sermons, be Added to each of the Parcells about to be sent to the Correspondents.

Mr Gardiner Reported that the Subscription toward the 2 new Schools in the Parish of St. Gils in the fields is now advanced to 150 li. p ann, & that the 2 School houses, are now made Tax-free.

A Letter was Read from Mr Smith of Great Paxton, certifying the reason of the delay as to the setting up a Charity School in St. Neots.

A Letter was Read from Mr Disney of Lincoln concerning the State of the Schools there, and of the ~~delays obstacles~~ hindring the Erection of others in Tattershall & Horncastle.

24. May. 1705.

Present, Mr Thule, Dr Bray, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards, the Secretary, (Mr Newman a Correspondent,) Mr Fox, Dr Mannigham, Mr Thibs,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair,

1) Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr A. D. Frank, concerning his revising the two Papers entituled, A Short Acct. of Societies & A Letter to a Correspondent in the Countrey.

(2) It appearing that 1000 Copies of the Sheet-Accts. of Schools, will be too few to furnish the Poor Children & their Masters & Dames, at the intended Procession on Thursday next: Agreed that 2500 Copies of the said Sheet be reprinted for this purpose.

(3) Dr Bray reported that the Lord Digby has built a School-house in Sheldon (in Warwickshire) to which 4li ℘ ann is already Appropriated by the Parish, and that there is hopes of more: and that in this School, there are 20 Children taught to Read, Write & the Catechism.

(4) The Secretary laying before the Society a Letter in French written by some of the French Confessors suffering in the Gallies at Marseilles upon the Account of Religion: He was Order'd to bring a Translation of it to the next Meeting, together with a Preamble to a Subscription for their Relief.

A Letter was read from Dr Littel of Kings-Lyn, certifying, that after he had prevail'd with several persons of quality to subscribe toward the Erection of a Charity-school there, chose a Treasurer, & hired a School; the Design was stop'd by some who thought this design would interfere with another for setting up a Work-house, by virtue of a late Charter granted for that purpose.

Another from Mr Dracher of Worcester, importing, that the Schools in the Parishes of St. Helens & St. Nicholas's are augmented to 25li (℘ an) each. and that a Gentleman pays for teaching 10 poor children in St. Nicholas's, & for 12 more in St. Martin's Parish. And that these four Schools are intended for the benefit of the whole City, and not to any particular Parish.

Another from Mr Whiston of Cambridge, who says that the model of the Schools now erecting at York, is taken from those at Cambridge. That Mr Bromley is setting up a Charity-School at Horse-heath, & allows himself, 12li ℘ ann thereunto. He thinks Sr Paul Whitchcott is setting up another at Quoi; and wishes that he had an opportunity of reprinting his late Sermon in a small Volume in order to the better dispersing of it.

A Letter was read from Mr Bradley of York, who says, his endeavours of setting up Charity-Schools there, were very much facilitated, by the Impressions which Mr Nelson had made upon the Dean & others. That the Arch-Bishop of York has encourag'd the Design, & contributed largely to it; as have the Dean & Chapter, & divers of the Clergy in the City. The Lord Mayor Aldermen & Commonalty have done the same, and have also given a large convenient Hall, belonging to the City, & are fitting it up for the Lodging & Victualling of 40 Boys, which will cost the City about 100li more. That the Subscriptions do now amount to 200li (℘ ann) & dayly increase. The Boys are decently cloth'd, well provided with wholesome Victualls, & have some work mix'd with their Learning. He adds, that the Ladies of York are contributing towards the Education of 40 Girls, & that their Subscriptions are already advanced to 60li ℘ ann.

31 May, 1705.

~~g g~~ Present, Mr Nelson, Mr Hodges, Mr Edwards, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, (Mr Shirmy a Correspondent,)

Mr. Nelson in the Chair,

1. Agreed that Mr Nelson be Chair-man for the Month ensuing.

2. Mr ~~Nelson~~ Edwards Reported that Mr Dean of Canterbury did Preach this day at the Meeting of the Poor Children in St. Sepulcher's Church; whereupon the Society desired that Mr Nelson & Sr. Humfrey Mackworth would give him their Thanks ~~for the~~ [illegible], ~~with~~ and desire him to Print ~~the~~ his Sermon, which gave so much Satisfaction at the hearing of it.

3. Agreed that Mr Hughes of Kilmersdon in Somersetshire be a Correspondent-Member of this Society, upon the Motion of Mr Shute.

4. A Letter was read from Mr A. H. Frank owning the receipt of the Societies Books lately sent to him, & writing for an 100 of Mr Hawes Catalogues of Little Tracts; He also recommended Mr Francis Braed for a Residing-Member, & Mr Bragge of Hitchin for a Correspondent.

A Letter was read from Mr Avenant of Newent, who desiring 200 Abc. Catechisms the Societie Order'd 'em to be sent to him.

The Secretary produced a Translation of the French Letter mentioned in the Last Minutes, which was Read: as also the Preamble to a Subscription for the Relief of the French Protestants in the Gallies, which being Read & Amended was order'd to be Transcribed & brought to the next Meeting.

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7 June, 1705.

Present, Mr ~~Hoare~~, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Melmoth, Mr Bromfield, Mr Shute, Mr Edwards, Dr Davies a Correspondent, Ld. Lord Bp. of Chichester, Mr Fox, Mr Ernle, Mr Nelson, Mr Stubs,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, at the request of Mr Nelson,

(1) Mr Chamberlayne moving the Society for some of their newer Papers to send to Mr Vernon at Copenhagen, the Society order'd him a parcel accordingly.

~~Order'd that the Secretary do Attend Mr Nelson and desire his Report as to the Treatise Entituled Forms of Prayer before, at, & after receiving the Holy Sacramt. and he do bring it to the next Meeting.~~

(2) It being said that at the late Procession of the Poor Children, those taught in the Charity-Schools at St Mary White-Chappel, St. James's, & Tuttle-Chappel were absent; the Society agreed that ~~that~~ it should be particularly recommended to the Trustees, of the said Schools, that their Poor Children may accompany the others at their next Procession.

(3) The Society desiring the Lord Bp. of Chichester to peruse the ~~abovementioned~~ Tract entituled Forms of Prayer, &c. & to give his opinion of it to the Society, his Lordship promis'd to do it with all convenient speed.

[illegible] Preamble to a Subscription for the relief of the Confined Protestants Slaves in the Gallies of Marseilles, &c being read: Such Members of the Society as were present [illegible] subscribe what they thought [illegible]

5) Order'd that the Money thus [illegible] be paid to Mr Treasurer, who is to keep the same till farther Orders.

6. A Letter was read from Mr Biddulph of Ledbury in Herefordshire, who says he has rec'd the books lately sent to Mr Portman, & paid for 'em. That the designe as to the Charity-School there goe's on; but he desire's that no mention may be made of it in the Societies printed account.

7. Mr Nelson Reported that he had seen Mr Dean of Canterbury, and gave him the Thanks of the Society with their desire that they may print his Sermon, which the Dean said he was willing they should, provided that his Booksellers (who have a right to the Copie,) will consent.

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Present, Mr Nelson, Mr Fox, Mr Edwards, Mr Shute, the Secretary: (Mr Skate a
Correspondent,) Mr Wyndham, Mr Chamberlayne, the Lord Bp. of Chichester, Mr Hoare, Mr Shibs,
Mr Melmoth, Mr Jenner, Mr Taylor,

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

Mr Brace was approv'd for a Residing Member, and Mr Shute ~~Mr Melmoth, Mr Edwards~~ to desire his Attendance:

A Letter was Read from Sr John Philipps to Mr Shute, desiring a parcel of Dr Gibson's Family Devotions, & of Dr Woodward's Discourse before & after Confirmation: whereupon the Society order'd him 4 dozen of Dr Gibson's Tracts, & 400 of Dr Woodward's i.e. 200 of a Sort.

Mr Edwards presented from Mr A.D. Frank, a List of some Charity-Schools lately erected in Bedfordshire, & of one in Bucks. which List Mr Edwards was desired to insert into the next Impression of the Account of Schools.

Mr Shibs presented a Printed Copie of the Orders to be observ'd by the Pensioners & Servants entertain'd in Greenwich Hospital, which was order'd to be kept among the Societies other Papers.

Order'd that Mr Hoare & Mr Melmoth do agree with the Booksellers for a parcell of the Dean of Canterburies Sermons.

Mr Skate Reported that a Gentlewoman has lately bequeathed 8l p annum to the School at Aldgate; [illegible] observ'd that all the poor Children walked very solemnly before her Corps, and had ~~one of Dr Stanhope's~~ [illegible] given to [illegible] instead of a pair of Gloves.

[illegible] person [illegible] had one [illegible] Kennetts Readers

Agreed that Mr Skate, Mr Mitchel, & Mr Gardiner be desired to wait on Mr Shibs, and confer with him about the State of the Charity-School in his Parish.

The Lord Bp. of Chichester reported that he has perused the Forms of Prayer before, at, & after Receiving the Holy Communion, and ~~which~~ that he thought it an useful Treatise, notwithstanding [illegible] Whereupon the Society order'd that 500 of them be bought, & that it be put into the Packet.

Agreed that the Proposals for erecting Libraries in Wales, be read at the next Meeting.

Order'd that the Absent Members be certifyed of the Subscription now on foot for the Relief of the Protestants Slaves in the French Gallies.

A Letter was read from Mr Middleton of Cuckfield, giving an account of [illegible] as to the settling a meeting of the Clergy in the Wild of Sussex.

NB. Mr A.D. Frank's List of Charity-Schools, is as followeth.

Bedfordshire.

Ampthill.	12 Children taught. the School lately endowed.
Arlesey.	6 taught at the Expense of a private person.
Bedford St. Paul.	50 taught, & cloathed in part. The Subscription to the Master is 20l. p ann.
Cranfield.	about 20 taught at the expense of the Inhabitants.
Hatley.	about 10 taught at the expense of a private person.
Henlow.	About 10 taught at the expense of the Inhabitants.
Leighton Buzzard.	An Endowment of 10li p ann. lately made for poor Children by the Honble Charles Leigh Esqr. deceased. And 7 Children besides are taught at the Expense of a private Person.
Marston	6 Children taught at the Expense of the Inhabitants.
Meppsall	12 Taught. the School lately endowed.
Northill.	The Minister pay's for all the poor, whom their Parents send to school.
Sandey	10 taught, to which 6l. p ann. is subscribed.
Siltoe	10l. p ann. lately settled, by the ~~late~~ late Earl of Kent, & the present Ld. Chamberlayne
Southill	12 taught at the Expense of the Minister

Bucks.

Moulsoe.	6l. p ann. for teaching the poor Children, being at the expense of the Countess Dowager of Northampton.

Fr.

21 June, 1705.

Present, Mr Nelson, Mr Wyndham, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hoare, Mr Shute, (A.D. Chetwood, Mr Foster Correspondents.) Mr Woodcock ~~[illegible]~~, Mr Fox, Mr Edwards, Mr Melmoth, the Lord Bp. of Chichester.

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

The Secretaries Translation of a late Letter from Mr Du-bordieu, in answer to Mr Chamberlaynes Queries about conveying Money to the Protestant Slaves on board the French Kings Galleys, was read; and Order'd to lie upon the Table, to be perused by the Members of the Society, & to be comunicated to the Lord Bp. of Chichester.

Agreed that Dr Killingbeck the Rector of Leeds be a Corresponding-Member of this Society upon the Motion of Mr A.D. Chetwood.

Mr Hoare Reported that he & Mr Melmoth have agreed with the book-seller for 2000 of the Dean of Canterburies Sermons, at 2d ½ a book, in all 20l. 16s. 8d. to which the Society Agreed. & Order'd that the ann. Acct. of Schools be stich'd up with the Sermons.

Agreed that 100 of the Dean of Canterburies Sermons decently stitch'd up in Marble Paper (whereof 50 are to be of the larger Paper) be sent to him as a present from this Society.

Order'd that 250 Copies of the Proposals for erecting Libraries in Wales, be wrought of, & put into the new Packet.

A Letter was read from Mr Avenant of Newent, owning his receit of the 200 Catechisms lately sent to him.

28 June. 1705.

Present, Mr Shute (Mr Foster a Correspondent) Mr Wyndham, Mr Hoare, Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Jenner, Dr Slare, Mr Stubs, Mr Fox, Mr Edwards, Mr Bromfield,

Mr Wyndham in the Chair, at the Request of Mr Nelson.

Order'd that the Secretary do desire Mr Skate to attend Mr Stubs & confer with him about the School in his Parish.

The Secretary Reported that the Lord Bp of Chichester's Corrections as to the Treatise Entituled Forms of Prayer to be used before, at, & after Receiving the Holy Communion, is put into the Hands of a Member of this Society who will take care of having them inserted into a New Edition now about to be Printed.

Agreed that Mr Wyndham be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Order'd that a quarter of an hundred of Dr Gibsons Family Devotions be deliver'd to Mr Fox as many to Mr Hoare, and as many to Mr Jenner.

Order'd that one of the new Packets be sent to ~~such of~~ all the Residing Members of this Society. ~~who are gone in to the Country~~.

Agreed that 4000 of the New Accts of Schools be printed at the Charge of this Society.

Agreed that one of the New Accts be stitch'd up with such of the Dean of Lincolns Sermons as are yet undisposed of, & they to be put into the New Packet.

Agreed that the Secretary do write to such Members of Parliament as serve for Wales, desiring them to be Trustees for these Libraries designed to be Erected in that Principality; and that they would consent to the printing their Names as such.

A Letter was read from Mr Edwards of Embledon desiring directions how to secure a piece of Land & Houses to a Parish, for teaching their poor Children: which Letter, Mr Edwards promis'd to answer.

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5 July. 1705.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hoare, Mr Edwards, (Mr Skate & Mr Gardiner Mr Mitchel Correspondents) Mr Jenner, Mr Wyndham, Mr Stubs,

Mr Wyndham in the Chair,

The Secretary produced a Letter from Dr Woodward promising to ~~[illegible]~~ make known the Case of the French Protestants in the Galleys; together with 4 Receipts ~~of~~ for moneys formerly remitted to them from England. Which Receipts being translated, the Translations were read; The Society Order'd the Secretary to certify Dr Woodward that they are willing to pay Mr Du bourdieu 20lb for the use of those Confessors, unless he know's a better way of remitting that sum to them.

Mr Hoare Related that he had with much Pleasure seen a very large & Noble house at Watford in Hertfordshire built by a Widdow, for a School-house, wherein 40 boys are taught at her Charge.

Mr Skate desiring a dozen Rolls for Subscriptions to Charity-Schools; Mr Treasurer was Order'd to get them ready.

Mr Shute Related that having lately been at Hamstead, he conceived hopes of Erecting a Charity-School there: whereupon the Society desired Mr Chamberlayne, & Mr Jenner, to confer with some Gentlemen of their acquaintance who use to go to Hamstead, upon this Subject.

Mr Stubs certified the Society that Mr Deputy Sherbrook had been with him & desired that the Subscriptions rais'd or to be rais'd in 7 of the Parishes within the Walls & in his Neighbourhood, may be applied to the Subsistance of the Charity-School in his Parish: whereupon the Society desired Mr Skate to confer with Mr Stubs & Mr Sherbrook again upon this Affair.

Mr Mitchel Reported that Mr North the Goldsmith lately deceas'd, has bequeathed 5li p ann. for ten years to the Charity School in St. Martins in the Fields: and 10li p ann for ten years to the 2 first Schools which shall be erected in Westminster — of which he promis'd a farther acct.

Order'd that one of the Dean of Canterburie's Sermons (when printed,) be given to each of the Masters & Mistresses teaching in the Charity-Schools.

Mr Skate Reported that he knows 2 Men & one Woman who have been train'd up in order to teach in Charity-Schools, and that they are qualified for that employment.

The Secretary produced a Draught of a Letter to the Members of Parliament for Wales, which being read, was with some Amendments Approv'd & order'd to be sent.

Mr Edwards produc'd Mr A.D. Franck's acct of this Society, which being read, the Society agreed to refer it to the Consideration of a Committee, who are to meet at Nixon's Coffee-house on Monday next by six a clock: and that Mr Wyndham, Mr Nelson, Mr Hoare, Mr Chamberlayne & Mr Edwards, or any 3 of them be that Committee.

A Letter was Read from Coll. Colchester offering 40s. to the French Confessors.

A Letter was Read from the Dean of Lincoln concerning Mr Disney whom he very much Esteem's; giving hopes of Erecting 2 more Schools in Lincoln, & another for 30 Boys in his Parish of Wirkworth in Derby-shire. This last, at his own Charge.

Ch.

12 July, 1705.

Present, Mr Wyndham, Mr Shute, Mr Jenner, Mr Bromfield, Dr Hare, Mr Nelson, Mr Andrews,

Mr Wyndham in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Treasurer do deliver a qrter of an hundred of Dr Gibson's Family Devotions to Mr Wyndham.

Orderd that a Copie of the Translation of Mr Dubordieu's Letter to Mr Chamberlayne about remitting money to the French Confessors in the Galleys, and copies of the Translations of four Receits which came from them, be annex'd to the present Subscription toward their Relief.

Mr Shute Produced a Book Entituled Arguments & Reasons for a Regular Conformity to the Church of England, &c. by John Jones Gent. with some proposals for Dispersing the same & also some Copies of the Book it self, which Copies were Refer'd to the Consideration of Divers Members of the Society, and they are to report their Opinion of it at next Meeting.

Mr Shute Related that he has lately sent a Packet to Mr A.D. Pearson,

Mr Wyndham Reported from the Committee appointed to inspect Mr A.D. Franck's Account of this Society, that they have made some progress therein, & desire some farther time, for going through with it.

Letters were Read from Mr Wood of Green-norton (Northampt.shire) & Mr Hughes of Kilmersdon (Somersetsh.) both accepting the Correspondence.

A Letter was Read from Mr Davies of Steynton (Pembroke-shire) who having recd 3 of Dr Gibsons Family-Devotions from Sr J. Philipps, desired to buy a dozen more, which the Society Agreed to give him.

Another from Mr Lloyd desiring Mr Treasurer to lay down 3 Guineas for my Lord of Worcester, & 1 for himself, as their Subscription toward the Relief of the french Confessors.

Another from Mr A.D. Franck desiring to buy 100 of the Address to Absenters from the Public Worship of God, and desiring some farther Advice as to the other desired of him; the Society Agreed to take it into Consideration at next Meeting.

19 July, 1705.

Present, Mr Nelson, Mr Wyndham, Mr Meller, Mr Shute, the Secretary: the Lord Bp. of Chichester, the Lord Guilford, Mr Bromfield, Mr Chamberlayne, (Mr Skate Correspondent.) Mr Fox, Mr Hoare, Dr Slare, Mr Fox, Mr Edwards,

Mr Wyndham in the Chair

.) Order'd that Dr Woodward be put in mind of giving Mr Shute his opinion whether he had best ~~[illegible]~~ employ Mr Dubordieu with 20lb now ready to be sent to the French Confessors in the Gallies.

.) Mr Chamberlayne was desired to confer with some of his Acquaintance about setting up a Charity School at Hamsted, and some of the Dean of Canterburies Sermons were order'd to be deliver'd to him:

3.) Mr Nelson Reported that the Earle of Berkeley has promis'd to give 25lb towards the Relief of the French Confessors in the Gallies.

4.) Mr Shute Reported that he had lately seen Mr A. D. Bouchier, who, tho' he cant at present Attend, does yet desire to be reputed as a Residing Member of this Society from this time.

5.) Mr Shute Reported that he has lately deliver'd a small parcel of papers to Mr Hoare for the use of the Prisoners in Lincoln, which the Society Approv'd.

6.) A Report was made that ~~Mr Nelson Reported that he has Read~~ Mr Bere's Arguments & Reasons, have been read & thought ~~which he thinks~~ not proper for the Societies Packet as Mr Hoadly's Exhortation to Lay-Communion; whereupon ~~which~~ the Society desired the Lord Bp. of Chichester to peruse Mr Hoadleys Treatise, & to give his Opinion of it with Convenient Speed.

.) Mr Wyndham produced Mr A. D. Frank's Acct. of this Society as amended by the Committee to whom it was referr'd; which being Read was Order'd to be transcribed & revised ~~carried to the Lord Bp. of Chichester,~~ before it be put into the Press.

) Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr A. D. Frank for his pains taken in drawing up the said Account.

.) Mr Skate Reported that a Charity-School is now erected in the Parish of Christ-church within the Walls, for 8 boys & 17 Girls, 10lb p anno being already subscribed thereunto.

.) Agreed that a dozen of the Dean of Canterburies Sermons be given to Mr Skate to distribute ~~in~~ about the Parish of Christ-church as he shall think meet.

11.) Mr Skate also certified that there [illegible] good disposition in the Inhabitants of Shore-ditch for setting up a School there, which good design the Society Agreed to promote among their Acquaintance there

12.) Part of a Letter from Mr Williams of Denbigh to the Lord Bp. of Chichester was read, certifying that he has translated ~~his Lordships Catechism, & the~~ Bp. Beveridge's Exposition of the Church Catechism into the Welsh Tongue:

13.) Letters were Read from Mr Foster of Deverel recomending Capt. John Baine Alderman of Salisbury for a Corresponding Member. Another from Dr Killingbeck of Leeds accepting the Correspondence, & recomending Mr Henry Robinson of Leeds to the Correspondence.

14.) Another from Sr John Philipps, who offers 2 Guineas to the French Confessors, and certifies that at a Meeting of Gentlemen & Ministers in Laugharne in Carmarthenshire it was resolv'd to promote the affair of the Welsh Libraries. Desires an Act for buying in Impropriations whereof the Duke of Somerset has to the Value of 900lb p anno in Carmarthensh., out of which the respective Curates who are six, do not receive [illegible] above [illegible] p anno. He wishes that more good Books may be translated into Welsh, & that Lives of good men may be put into the Welsh Libraries: and finally, that a serious Treatise may be [illegible] by way of Advice to all Schoolmasters, putting them in mind of their great Trust [illegible]

26 July, 1705.

Present, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester, Mr Nelson, Mr Meller, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Slare, Mr Shute, Mr Palmer, Mr Seaman, (Mr Newman a Correspondent)

Mr Meller in the Chair, for Mr Wyndham,

~~Dr Slare presented an Address to this Society, written by Dr Woodward, with a Design to be prefixed before the English Edition of the Pietas Hallensis of Professor Franck; which being Read,~~

Ordered that for the future, when the Society designs to print any Book or Treatise; that the Printer have directions to print them upon such a size Paper, ~~and in~~ as that different Tracts of the same Volume; may be the better bound up together.

A Letter was read from Mr Fenwick of Hallaton to Mr Shute, promising to remitt the 40s. which he yearly gives to the Society, and giving hopes of another Benefaction. The Society Ordered him a parcel of Books of 20s value.

Mr Fox certified that he had heard that if proper Certificates were transmitted from the Duke of Somersets Curates in Carmarthenshire, setting forth the smalness of their Allowance: that a friend of his, would putt them into the hands of the Dutchess

A Letter was read from Mr Vaughan of Derllys desiring that the General Letters for the Correspondents nominated by him, may be sent to him; and certifying that in a Lordship belonging to him, He and the Free-holders are ~~erecting~~ building a Charity-School on the Common, & inclosing part of the Common, to be given for ever to a Schoolmaster for Teaching the Poor Children of the Lordship: And he desires that a Tract may be written upon this Subject, and putt in to the Hands of Lords of Mannors.

Part of a Letter was Read from Dr Charlett of Oxford setting forth some difficulties as to the Erecting Charity-Schools there; but certifying that he doubts not of success if they could but once begin: as also that the Lord Weymouth promised to give something to encourage that design when they begin. also desiring a specimen of the Society's Papers for the Public Library; whereupon the Society Ordered him two Packets.

Mr Edwards Reported that the Governor & Company of the Mine-Adventure of England have allowed 40£ p ann for the Education of 40 Children of the Miners & Workmen belonging to the said Company: whereof one moyety is allowed for a Charity-School in the County of Glamorgan, & the other for another in the County of Cardigan: And also 30£ p ann for a Chaplain to the Miners in the County of Cardigan to Read Prayers, Preach & Catechise the Workmen & their Children.

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2. August, 1705.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr A-D. Bowchier, Mr Meller, Mr Woodcock. Mr Bromfield, Mr Richardson, (Mr Skate a Correspondent,) Mr Fox Mr Hoare,

Mr Meller in the Chair,

Agreed that Mr Meller be chairman for this Month.

Ordered that Mr Chamberlayne be putt in mind of the School desired to be set up in Hamsted

Mr Hoare Reported that there are now in Dublin two Charity-Schools, one for 50 Boys the other for 26 Girls, [illegible] Reported that Mr Deputy Westbrook [illegible] should come under the Regulation of Trustees, and that he is in hopes of procuring sufficient Subscriptions for it, when so settled.

Also that Mr Wilkes the Minister of Shoreditch has Subscribed 40s. a year toward the School about to be erected in his Parish, & has promised to promote it as far as he can.

Agreed that a dozen of the Dean of Lincolns Sermons, & as many of the Dean of Canterbury be delivered to Mr Fox to disperse at Reading.

Order'd that the List of books & Papers in the Societies Packet be laid upon the Table at next Meeting, & then Consider'd whether it may not be made more Compleat.

Part of a Letter was read from Dr Charlett of Oxford who express's much Zeal for the Erection of Charity-Schools in that University; desires that the Ld Bp. of Chichester would write to Mr Pullen about it; and that at his next return to Oxford he would endeavor to sett that good Design on foot.

The New account of the Society was Read, Approv'd, & Order'd to be Printed off, in a Large half-Sheet, to the number of 4000 Copies.

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9 August 1705.

Present, the Lord Bishop of Chichester, Mr Shute, Mr Thuts, Mr Nelson, Mr Meller,

Mr Meller in the Chair,

Mr Shute moving the Society for some more of their Papers to distribute among the Pensioners in Greenwich Hospital; the Society Order'd him a parcel of 20s value.

Mr Shute was desired to go to Chelsea-College, and there to inform himself as to the State of Devotion among the Souldiers there.

Agreed that 4 of Dr Gibsons Holy Sacrament Explained, also bound be given to Dr Maningham upon his desire.

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16 August, 1705.

Present Mr Meller, Mr Thuts, (Dr Nicholls, Mr Keith Correspondents,) Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne the Secretary:

Mr Meller in the Chair.

Mr Chamberlayne Reported that he has confer'd with Mr Bull about setting up a Charity School in Hamstead, who has promis'd to promote this Design as far as he can, upon farther Application [illegible] made to him: whereupon the Society Agreed that Mr Mitchel, Mr [illegible] or Mr Skate should be desired to attend Mr Bull with a Subscription-Roll.

Dr Nicholls giving a good Character of one Mr William Keith, who appear's to be qualified to be a Schoolmaster in [illegible] of the Charity Schools: the Society agreed to recomend him to their Correspondents, in Order to the placing him in one of these Schools as soon as may be.

Mr Chamberlayne moving the Society for a parcell of Papers to distribute in Hampshire & Wiltshire; the Society Order'd him a parcell of 30s value.

Mr Treasurer Reported that Mr Bromfield being upon a Journey into Hampshire & Dorsetshire he had, upon his Request deliver'd to him a small Parcel of Papers to disperse in [illegible] to which the Society Agreed.

Mr Chamberlayne acquainted the Society, that in the Society's New List of Schools, there is a Mistake, Yarmouth being there placed in Hampshire, instead of Norfolk: which Mistake was Order'd to be rectified in the next Impression.

Mr Treasurer desired that all his Audits of the Society's Accounts might be inspected afresh as to moneys recd by a Committee, which, for his Satisfaction, the Society Agreed to and Order'd that they be inspected by a Committee, who are to meet next Monday at ~~[illegible] Coffee-house~~ his house by 4 a clock.

Agreed that Mr Meller, Dr Nicholls, Mr Hoare, Mr Hearne, Mr Stubs, Mr Keith, Mr Newman, Mr Mitchell, Mr Melmoth, Mr Seaman, or any three of them be that Comittee.

A Letter was read from Mr Fenwick of Hallaton certifying his remittance of 40s his yearly benefaction to the Society; returning thanks for the parcel lately sent him; and desiring some books mention'd in Mr Hawes's List; whereupon the Society agreed to give him a parcel of those books, of 20s value.

Mr Mitchel reported that the Subscriptions toward the New School in St Giles in the Fields is amounted to 200l p ann, that the School is compleated 50 Boys being now taught therein, all clothed: and that there are some hopes of erecting another for Girls in the same parish.

Agreed that 100 of the Dean of Canterburie's Sermons, and as many of the 2 last Account of Schools be given to Mr Gardiner, Mr Skale & Mr Mitchel upon their Request.

23 August, 1705.

This being the day of Public Thanksgiving, there was no Meeting.

30 August, 1705.

Present, Mr Shute, Dr Gibson, Mr Stubs, Mr Fox, the Ld Bp of Chichester, (Mr Keith a Correspondent) Mr Meller, Mr Hearne, Mr Seaman, Mr Richardson, (Messieurs Cyprian & Paul Appia, Natives of the Vallies in Piedmont, & Correspondents,) Dr Slare,

Mr Meller in the Chair.

Mr Stubs Reported that he has been at Chelsea-College, where he finds that a parcell of the Society's Books & papers will be acceptable & usefull, Dr Langford having promis'd to take care of their distribution: whereupon the Society agreed to send thither by Mr Stubs a parcel of Soldiers Monitors, &c. of 20s value.

Agreed that Mr Fox be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

A Letter was Read from Mr Clarke of Nottingham declining the Correspondence.

Dr Slare Reported that the School at Kedderminster flourishes very much, the poor Children taught therein behaving themselves upon Examinations, & all other Occasions to the great Satisfaction of the Inhabitants; and that the Ministers have set up a [illegible] Monthly Lecture in the same place.

Mr Shute read part of a Letter from Mr A. D. Frank who shew's his readiness to suppress many Vices & Immoralities now abounding in his Jurisdiction; and particularly, to prosecute those who frequent no Place of Worship, who are guilty of Adultery, Fornication, &c.

Mr Fox Reported that he has distributed the Parcel lately deliver'd to him, and that he expects an Account from Reading of the good Effect they shall have.

Agreed that a Parcel of Books & Papers of 20s value be sent to Mr Howard of Kedermins
upon the motion of Dr Slare.

A Letter was Read from Mr Bridges, at York, to Mr Skate, desiring a parcel of Books & Papers, which the Society agreed he should be furnished with according to the Treasurer's Discretion.

~~A Letter was read from Mr Ellis of Sheffield to Mr Skate, certifying that one Mr Hollis of London has set up a School there wherein a considerable number of Boys are taught to read & write;~~ ~~& to appear at the Meeting place on all occasions.~~ Blotted out by Order of ye Society

6 September, 1705.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Gunner, Mr Edwards the Ld. Bp. of Chichester, the Secretary, Mr Fox, (Mr Skate ~~an~~ Mr Mitchell Correspondents) Mr Hodges,

Mr Fox in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Gardiner be putt in mind of Attending Mr Bull with a Subscription-Roll for Setting up a Charity-School in Hamstead.

Agreed that 20 Bibles be given to the Poor-Children taught in the Charity-School in Kilmersdon in Somerset-shire, upon the Motion of Mr Treasurer.

Mr Treasurer acquainted the Society that Mr Hodges had paid him 30s for three qrters of the Arrears of Mr Coutris's Subscriptions, and desiring that Mr Hodges might be reimbursed the said 30s the Society Ordered Mr Treasurer to pay it.

Mr Skate presented a Letter from Mr Wm Evans of Carmarthen who teaches gratis 12 poor Children, and say's that they want Bibles, Catechisms, Arithmetic-Books, & Copy-books; whereupon the Society Ordered them 6 Bibles, 12 Christian Scholars, & 12 Catechisms,

Mr Skate Reported that there ~~are~~ is now Subscribed 60l p ann toward the setting up a School in Shoreditch.

Mr Skate also Reported that they are now Entring 40 Girls into the School at St Olave's Southwark, they being already provided with a School-house, & a Mistress.

13 September, 1705.

Present, the Ld. Bp. of Chichester, Mr Fox, Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Dr Slare, Mr Edwards, Mr Hoare,

Mr Fox in the Chair.

Resolved that for the future, the Approbation of ~~all~~ Residing Members of this Society be made by Ballotting; as also the Determination of such Questions as the Society shall think fit to ~~determine~~ decide that way.

Agreed that Dr Woodwards Tract upon the Vice of Slandering & Detraction, be put into both the Ordinary & Extraordinary Packets; it having ~~had the~~ been Perusal & Appro~~bation of~~ved ~~the Lord Bp of Chichester.~~

Agreed that 200 of them be bought for this purpose;

A Letter was read from Mr A. D. Pearson at York, to Mr Shute, certifying, that in Nottinghamshire, they have, for several years, rais'd a Stock by Subscriptions among the Gentry & Clergy of that County, which has enabled them to put out a Considerable Number of Poor Children to School, & purchase proper Books to be distributed among the poorer sort of People: And that the Collecting & disposing of this Money is committed to two Treasurers yearly chosen out of their Body.

A Letter was Read from Mr Grave of Lewes owning the receipt of the Larger Packet & of some of the lesser which he will carefully forward to the Correspondents to whom they were design'd. He give's good Hopes of promoting the design of dispersing the Comon prayers among the Poor; and will promote that of Erecting Libraries in Wales as far as

|| he can.

A Letter was read from Dr Killingbeck of Leeds setting forth his great Willingness to promote the Erection of Charity-Schools there, in Conjunction with the Trustees for the Charities given in their Town, who are 15 in Number.

A Letter was read from Mr Robinson of Leeds accepting the Correspondence, & promising to assist Dr Killingbeck in the Erection of Charity Schools there.

Agreed that 500 of the Proposals for Erecting Libraries in Wales, be Reprinted, with the Corrections now made in them.

Mr Hoare Reported that there is a Charity School set up at Tunbridge Wells & kept up by the Contributions gathered from the Nobility and Gentry frequenting the place. In Sumer there are about 67 Boys taught therein, in Winter about 72. The last Year there was 24li of the Collection given to the Master, & 2li allowed for firing. And that he is intended to Cloth all these Boys the next Year.

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20 September, 1705.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Edwards, Mr Andrews, Mr Shibs, the Secretary: Mr Fox, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Richardson,

Mr Fox in the Chair,

Agreed that Mr Gardiner, upon his Recovery, be desired to Attend Mr Bell with a Subscription-Roll, for Setting up a School in Hamstead.

Agreed that the Secretary, upon his Request, have leave to go into the Country for a Month, upon Extraordinary Occasions.

~~Agreed that a Parcell of Books & Papers, be sent to Mr Woodford Minister of Epsom, upon the Motion of Mr Shibs,~~

A Letter was Read from Mr Howard of Kedderminster, thanking the Society for the Parcel lately sent him, & shewing his Willingness to promote their pious Designs.

Mr Shibs Reported that Dr Langford at Chelsea College ha's recd the Parcel of Papers lately sent to him with great Satisfaction, and promise's to distribute them to the best advantage.

Mr Andrews Reported that Mr Basil Davenport Vicar of Broad-Hinton in Wiltshire is about to Erect a Charity School in his Parish, & teach the Poor Children there, himself, & Gratis

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27 September, 1705.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Manningham, Mr Fox the Secretary, Mr Edwards,

Mr Fox in the Chair.

Agreed that the Minutes about choosing of Residing-Members by Ballotting, be one of the Standing Orders of this Society.

Agreed that the Corporation-Papers containing Instructions for Missionaries, and the Abstract of the Corporation &c. be put into the Packet of this Society, upon the Motion of Mr Chamberlayne; who also promis'd to furnish the Society with a Competent Number of them.

Agreed that Dr Manningham be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Agreed that a Parcell of Books & Papers, not exceeding 10s in Value, be deliver'd to Dr Manningham, in Order to be dispers'd.

A Letter was read from Mr Hodges, to Mr Shute, accompanying a MS Treatise, in French, being the Rules & Orders Observ'd by the French Protestants, Slaves on board the Gallies; which the Secretary was Order'd to Translate upon his Return from the Countrey.

A Letter was Read from Mr Fenwick of Hallaton to Mr Shute, owning the receipt of the Societies Larger Packet, & of divers others directed to other Correspondents in his neighbourhood, which he undertakes to hand to them. He approves of the Societies Designes of dispersing Commonprayers, and writes for 6 dozen of them, & for another great Parcell of Books; all to be paid for. And farther he recommends several Gentlemen & Clergy-men, for Correspondents.

A Letter was Read from Mr Payne of Salisbury owning the Receit of the Bible given by the Society to the Gaole there, & of the Parcel accompanying it: & accepting the Correspondence.

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Oct: 4. 1705

Present Ld Bp of Chichester, Mr Shute, Mr Edwards, Mr Woodrooke, Mr Stubs, Mr Fox, Mr Keith a Correspondent.

Ld Bp of Chichester in the Chair, Dr Maningham being absent.

Agreed, That Mr Gardiner upon his Recovery be desired to attend Mr Bull wth a Subscription-Roll, for setting up a Schole in Hampstead;

Agreed, That Mr Edwards be desired to take upon him ye Care of ye Rents due from Mr Neale's Benefaction at Wark; who took the admittance to ye Houses into his Possession;

Upon a motion of Mr Stubs, order'd, That a Committee be appointed to adjust the Rents of ye Houses in Glocester-Ct, Cripplegate Parish; and to see wt can be got for this Quarter, Mr Edwards & Mr Woodrooke to be of that Committee;

Mr Keith being collated to a Benefice in Sussex by his Grace the Ld Bp of Canterbury, and desiring some of ye Society's Papers for the good of his Care, order'd, That he have a Packet accordingly, not exceeding 20s in value;

Mr Stubs reported that he had distributed the Society's last Benefaction to Greenwich Hospital amongst ye Pensioners newly admitted there, who receiv'd ym thankfully, and that they are like to do much good amongst them.

A Letter being read from Mr Bedford of Bristoll concerning ye Packets sent to him, and wch gave an accot that ye Charity Schole [illegible]

Mr Stubs taking notice of ye prevalency of Muggletonianism, ye Bp of Chichester was desired That he'd please to look out his Papers that answer to ye Blasphemous Tracts, and direct ye Society wt relates to ye Heresy;

A Letter from Mr Evans to Mr Shuttleworth was read wch gave ~~giving~~ an accot yt ye Schole at Brighthelmston was decaying; but there was a great hopes of erecting one at Lewes;

Mr Edwards reported that ye Children of ye Schole at Brentford were lately cloath'd;

A Letter was read from Mr Peplo of Preston to Mr Shute, promising another Schole in Lancashire, & desiring 2 or 3 doz of Common Prayer-Books;

A Letter being read from Mr Ostervald to Mr Wanley dated Neufchastel Apr 23, 1705. Agreed, That ye Society take ye Printing of ye Liturgy into consideration.

Oct: 11, 1705.

Present, Dr Maningham, Mr Fox, Sr R. Bulkeley, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Woodrock, Mr Edwards, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Nelson, Mr Hodges, Mr Skate, Mr

Dr Maningham in the Chair.

Upon a Motion of Mr Shute's, Order'd, That all ye Society's Letters or Abstracts may be examin'd, To see who have neglected to correspond with us, that they may be dropt; and, That a Committee be appointed this day fortnight for that purpose at Mr Shute's;

Agreed, That an Audit of the Treasurers Accounts be held at Mr Shute's this day fortnight: The Committee's to consist of Mr Hume, Mr Hodges, Mr Woodrock, Mr Hoare, Mr Edwards, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Fox, Mr Stubs, or any 3 of ym; and all other Members that come to have voices.

Order'd that Major Britton of Cows-Castle in the Isle of Wight, propos'd by Mr Shute, be a Correspondent Member;

Mr Edwards & Mr Woodrock who were appointed to adjust ye Rents of Gloucester Court, reported, That matters were in a better posture yn was expected, & brought in a particular ~~[illegible]~~ Rent-Roll;

Upon a motion of Mr Edwards's, Order'd that some proper Treatise be fixed upon, to be dispers'd by way of Antidote agst ye Errors of ye Anabaptists;

Dr Maningham reported, That a Charity Schole was erected at Selburne in Hampshire consisting of 40 Boys, supported by a Society of Clergymen: & That they are endeavoring likewise to set up one at Alton in the Neighborhood.

Mr Edwards reported, That Mr Compton has left 50ll to the Charity Schole at St Sepulchres;

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Skate reported, That Mr Deputy Shilbroke has promised to take care of ye Schole at St Alphage, that it be duly regulated & supported; as also, That 5ll more is subscribed to ye Schole at St [illegible] in Southwark; That ye Subscription at St Olaves Schole is increased to 30ll p annum; ~~[illegible]~~ which hath had ~~them~~ a Gift of 3ll, & That Shoreditch Subscription amounts to 75ll, upon which a Schole is taken, & a Schole-Master appointed;

A Letter was read from Esqr James to Mr Skate giving an accot a Schole at Banbury in Oxfordshire is erecting, to wch 40ll is already subscribed, & yt there are great encouragemts from the Neighbouring Gentry;

A Letter was read from Sr J. Philips, giving an accot of his dispersing ye Society's Books & Papers;

A Letter was read from Mr Barnsley to Mr Wanley giving an accot of a Schole erecting at Battle in Sussex, and another neighbouring Place;

A Letter was read from Mr De Beringhen to Mr Chamberlayne dated Hague 4 Sepr 1705. agreed that it be laid before ye Society de promovendo Evangelio.

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18 October 1705

Present Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Hoare, Dr Slare, Mr Fox, Mr Bromfield, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards, (Mr Grabe a Correspondt.) Mr Skate & Mr Gardiner Correspondents, Dr Maningham, Mr Melmoth,

Mr Nelson in the Chair, Dr Maningham being absent.

Agreed that Mr Gardiner be putt in mind of attending Mr Bull with a Subscription Roll, for setting up a Charity School in Hamstead.

Mr Stubs related that Dr Maplestoft having distributed many papers among the Pensioners in Greenwich Hospital; he had therefore ~~[illegible]~~ given part of those which he lately rec'd from the Society to the Trinity house in Whitechapel.

Sr John Philipps was desired to conferre with Coll. Yeats upon the Subject of Charity-Schools in Bristoll.

Agreed that the Minute about Muggletonianism be taken into Consideration when the Lord Bp. of Chichester is present.

Agreed that the Consideration of the Liturgy lately come from Neufchâtel be adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

Mr Trollop was Elected a Residing Member of this Society, & Mr Edwards to desire his Attendance.

Mr Skate reported that the Subscriptions toward the School in Shoreditch is advanced to 84ll. & that at St Olave's to ~~[illegible]~~ 32l.10.0. & there has been given 40s. to it ~~[illegible]~~

Sr John Philipps Related that he had desired the L. Bp. of St Davids to make a second Distribution of the A. Bp. of Canterburie's Letter to the Clergy of that Diocese desiring them to ~~recommending~~ The Promoting of Prayer & Charity Schools to their Parishioners; and that his Lordship would farther this matter by a Letter of his order: and that his Lordship was pleased to promise to do so.

Ordered that the Secretary do write to the Lord Bp. of Worcester at Oxford, and acquaint him with the falling of the Charity Schools at Bristol; and desire his Lordship to confer with the Lord Bp. of Bristol about the ways of setting up the said Schools again.

Mr Hoare acquainted the Society that a friend of his who desires not to be known, has placed an hundred pounds ~~in~~ his hands for promoting the pious designs of this Society. ~~and that he~~

Mr Fox was desired to peruse the Abridgement of Mr Dorrington's book against the Anabaptists; and to report his Opinion of it at next Meeting.

A Letter was read from Mr Ollyffe of Dunton to Mr Shute owning the receipt of the Packets lately transmitted to him, & of his disposal of them; and desiring a parcel of common prayer books books to be paid for by Mr Mayo of Great-Kimbel.

Part of A Letter was read from Mr Williams of Denbigh to Mr Shebs, certifying his disposal of the Books & Papers given to him by the Society.

A Letter was read from Mr Johns of Stroud, owning the rect. of the Societies Packett and certifying his dispersing the papers & books contained in 'em. That the Charity-School & Religious Societies there do still continue: that some young men members of these Rel. Societies do teach many of the poor Children there, & bring 'em to Church: That there are some beginnings of Charity-Schools in other places, of which he promises farther particulars. That they have a weekly Lecture & perceive a Reformation from Swearing &c in the Common people. He thinks there is some mistake as to the price of the Comon prayer-books lately sent to him, since the Bookseller in his Town sells Common-prayers single for 12d a piece, & cheaper in quantities.

25. October. 1705.

Present, Dr Manningham, A. D. Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Shebs, Mr Fox, Mr Nelson, Mr Meller, Mr Herne, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Trollop, Mr Andrews, (Mr Davenport a Correspondent) Mr Edwards, Sr John Philipps, Dr Hare,

Dr Manningham in the Chair,

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Agreed that the Societies Letters be Inspected by a Committee in Order to distinguish between such Correspondents as have written to the Society and those who have not; And that this Committee be Mr A. D. Frank, Mr Treasurer, & the Secretary, Sr John Philipps and as many other of the Members, as shall meet.

Agreed that this Committee ~~[illegible]~~ do Meet at Mr Shute's upon this Occasion, on this day sevennight by 2 a clock.

~~Upon the Request of Mr Treasurer Ordered that such Gentlemen who assisted upon in the Examining his Accompts, and were not nominated of that Comittee to attest the Truth of them by subscribing them.~~

Mr Shebs Reported that the Committee appointed to Audit Mr Treasurer's Accompts had audited the same accordingly, and found them faithfully & exactly kept; and moreover that the Society is now indebted to him in the sum of ~~[illegible]~~ 65.03.01.

Whereupon the Society gave him their hearty Thanks for his great Trouble, and that he would continue his Care of their Accompts.

Mr Herne reported ~~to~~ from the Committee appointed to examine all Mr Trea
urers Audits as to the particulars of Moneys Received by him; that they had examined the same; that they had to their great Satisfaction found all faithfully brought to account, and had Subscribed the same accordingly: whereupon the Society again repeated their Thanks to him.

Agreed that Mr Nelson be Chairman for the month ensuing.

Agreed that 10 of Dr Stanhope's Sermons be given to Mr Fox to disperse, upon his Request.

Dr Raynes was Elected a Residing Member of this Society, & Mr Nelson to desire his Attendance.

Order'd that a Parcell of Papers be given to Mr A. D. Frank, for the use of Mr A. D. Rogers, &c.

Orderd that the Secretary do Translate, at his Leisure, the Liturgy now lately transmitted hither by Mr Ostervald of Neufchatel.

Orderd that the Secretary do give the Thanks of this Society to Mr Bedford of Bristoll for his late Sermon and other his pious Endeavours against the Playhouse lately sett up in Bristol.

Agreed that the Thanks of this Society be given to Mr Hoare's friend for his intended Benefaction to this Society.

Agreed that Mr A. D. Frank be desired to peruse ~~with~~ Mr Wesley's Tract agt the Anabaptists, which is annex'd to his Worthy Comunicant, and that he do Report his Opinion of it at next Meeting.

A Letter was read from Mr Fenwick of Hallaughton to Mr Shute, upon the same Subject as were mentioned in his last, which he thought miscarried.

A Letter was read from Mr Disney of Lincoln certifying That the two other Charity Schools in Lincoln are now at last, opend; the Dean & Chapter receding from their Proposal of Erecting a School of their own, & Subscribing to the Comon Fund. That, now it appears yt the poor Children whose Education is unprovided for, are not so numerous as was expected; & therefore desires the Societies Advice, whether they had best take some children of poor People who make a shift to pay for their Education, & gratify their Masters & Mistresses for their Loss or not, &c. He own's the recpt of the last parcells sent to him, promise's to promote the Design about the Welsh Libraries as far as he can; and intends to write to Mr Shute for some small religious Tracts.

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1. November. 1705.

Present, Mr A. D. Frank, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson; Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayn
Mr Hodges, Mr Palmer, Sr J. Philipps, Mr Richardson, Mr Jenner, Mr Andrews, Mr F
(Mr Keith ~~a Corresp~~ Mr Sandylands Correspondents) Mr Lloyd, Mr Hoare, Mr Edwards, Mr Troll
Major Bretton Gov. of Cowes-Castle, a Correspondent. Mr Skate a Correspondent; Dr Slare;

Mr Nelson in the Chair,

1. Agreed that Mr Gardiner be putt in Mind of Attending Mr Bull with a Subscriptio
Roll, for setting up a Charity-School in Hamstead.

2. Mr Lloyd Reported that the Ld Bp of Worcester had recd the Letter lately sent to him, and had sent it to the Ld Bp of Bristol, who with the Dean of Bristol, Dr Lye, &c. will do all they can to revive the Charity schools in Bristol.

Agreed, that for the Future, the Names of such Gentlemen as shall propose any other for Residing or Corresponding Members of this Society, shall upon their Election be Accep
Entred into the Minutes

Mr Sandylands thanked the Society for the Parcel of Books & Papers lately sent to him, which have done already much good; and desiring some more, the Society Ordered him a parcel to distribute, whose value shall not exceed 10s.

Mr Hoare certified that his Friend who gives the 100li to the Society, desires that it may be disposed in the following Manner,

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10 · 00 · 00 in Bibles,
10 · 00 · 00 in Common-Prayer-books.
20 · 00 · 00 in Whole Duties of Man.
25 · 00 · 00 for Charity Schools in the Country.
5 · 00 · 00 toward the Christian Monitor in Welsh.
10 · 00 · 00 in Bp. Ken's Catechism
20 · 00 · 00 in A Book of Prayer for Families & Private Persons, suited to
100 · 00 · 00 the various Conditions of Life.

Also, that 'tis the desire of his Friend, that the last 20li ~~shal~~ may remain in his hands, till a book of that kind convenient to disperse, may be composed, or collected.

Mr A. D. Frank acquainted the Society that there is a Work-house in Newport-Pagnel in Buck wherein some poor children are taught to work, but have no other sort of Education: whereupon the Society Agreed to apply ~~[illegible]~~ 50s a year for two years to this Work-house, for laying a foundation for these Children's Christian Education, & five pounds to ~~as much to the~~ Mr Davenport's School at Broad-Hinton in Wiltshire, ~~with 50s a year [illegible]~~.

Mr Nelson ~~told~~ the Society that he has lately recd 500 Bibles & 800 Common-prayers, being a Benefaction to this Society, who may disperse them where they shall think fit. ~~[illegible]~~ And that the Benefactor desires that Poor Families may be furnish'd with them, before ~~others~~ any particular persons.

Agreed that, ~~upon~~ a Committee be appointed to consider about the Disposal of these abovemention'd Bibles, Common prayers, Duties of Man, &c.

Agreed that Mr Nelson, Sr John Philipps, Mr Edwards, Mr Hoare, Mr Shute, be that Committee, and as many others as shall attend to have voices. And that they do meet here this day sennight by 3 a clock.

Agreed that Dr Davies be putt in Mind of that Treatise upon Restitution the composing of which was recommended to his Care.

Mr Skate certified the Society that there is now a 3d School Erected in St Sepulchres Parish for both Boys & Girls; that 24 Children are now taught therein, upon a Fund of 16li p annm.

Mr Edwards moved for a small packet for Mr Skate to disperse, which the Society granted; as also 50 of ye B. of Canterburie's Sermons, & as many of ye Accts of Schools.

Agreed that Mr Nelson be desired to return the hearty Thanks of this Society to his Friend for his Great Benefaction of Bibles & Common prayers.

Mr A. D. Frank Reported from the Committee appointed to inspect the Society's Letters, that they had met accordingly, and made some progress in the matter to them referred: of which he made ~~a~~ Report, and desired leave for the Committee to sitt again, which was agreed to, and that the time be at 2 a clock on thursday next as before.

Agreed that Mr Fox be desired to write to Mr Wall the Author of the History of Infant ~~Ana~~baptism, that he would draw up some that may serve as an Antidote against the Errors of the Anabaptists.

Agreed that Mr Harrison upon the Recommendation of Mr Whiston of Cambridge be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

A Letter was Read from Mr Clarke of Nottingham owning the Rect. of the Societies Packets, and of his sending those directed to others.

A Letter was Read from Mr Turner of Stamford, recomending Divers Gentlemen for Correspondents, and owning the rect. of the Societies Packets; and certifying his sending away those directed to others except that designed for Mr Eachard of Louth, who lives 50 miles from him, which he had therefore putt into proper hands. ~~The~~

A Letter was read from Mr Braggs of Hitchin owning his rect. of the parcel lately sent him and promising to promote the Designs of the Society as far as he can.

Another from Mr Smith of Great-Paxton owning his rect. of the parcels lately sent him, and certifying his delivery of yt directed to Mr Maplestoft. He recomends Divers Gentlemen for Correspondents, & desires himself to be excused from any farther Correspondence. He desire's also a parcel of Books to be paid for.

Another from Mr Wright of Oak-ham~~pton~~, who recd his parcel, & for want of farther information, seem's to decline the Correspondence; tho' he is willing to send the Society money to promote their good Designs withal. He also wants Comon-prayer boo to be paid for.

Another from Mr Gilbert of Locko; who has recd the parcel lately sent him desire's another to be paid for; certifie's that at West-hallam Mr John Scargal lately deceas'd, founded a Charity School for 12 Poor Boys: and that there is another erec at Appleby in ~~Derbyshire~~ Leicestershire by Sr John Moor, whereof he can't as yet send the particulars He desire's that in the next Impression of the Acct. of Schools Spondon may be inserted instead of Locko.

Another from Mr Whiston of Cambridge, owning the rect. of yt parcels sent him whereof that directed to Mr Baceus, he gave to Mr Harrison Fellow of Sydney College whom he recommends to the Society for a Correspondent Member; and writ for a large parcel of books to be paid for.

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8 Nov. 1705.

~~Sr John Philips in ye Chaire~~

Present Sr John Philips, Major Brittain, Mr A.Deacon Rogers, Mr Brewster, Mr Shute, Mr A.Deacon Frank Dr Manyngham, Mr Mellor, Mr Edwards,

Mr Nelson being absent Sr John Philips in ye Chair.

Mr A.Deacon Frank reported yt the Committee appointed to inspect ye Societies Letters, & to consider of ye disposal of Books &c. have made some progresse therein & desire leave to meet again on Monday next at Dinon's Coffee House, ye wch was agreed to accordingly & yt ye time be at 6 in ye evening.

A letter was read from Mr Pearkes of Worcester acquainting ye Society he hopes in a short time to return 10 Guineas towards ye erecting of ries in Wales.

11 Mr Varlo of Portsmouth by Letter acquainted ye Society yt he designd to remit for ye Libraries in Wales a like sum wth yt wch he sent to ye Society this year.—

11 Mr Frank acquainted ye Society that he had orders to subscribe 40s p ann. for 3 years towards erecting Libraries in Wales—

Ordered yt Mr Downing be desired to attend ye next meeting in order to be discoursed concerning ye Book intituled Pietas Hallensis.

Agreed yt ye Minute of 12 Oct: 1699 relating to a Charity in Barbados be considered wn Mr Chamberlayne is present.

Agreed yt Mr A. Deacon Rogers be a corresponding Member for Leicester, being recommended by Mr A. Deacon Frank.

Agreed yt the Reverend Mr George Anderson be a Corresponding Member of this Society being recommended by Sr John Philips.

Agreed yt a Paper Book be provided for ye use of ye Committee.

Agreed yt Mr Pearks Freind have a parcel of Books sent to him not exceeding ye Value of 20s in pursuance of Mr Pearkes Lettr of ye 3 Novr & yt Mr Treasurer take care of ye same accordingly; & yt Ostervalds Catechism be Sent in ye Packet.—

Agreed that ye 3d Article in ye Minutes of 1 Nov. 1705 relating to ye ~~Corresponding~~ members be entred among ye Standing Ordrs of this Society

A Lettr read from Mr Lancaster of Torporley giving accot of ye receipt of ye last Pacquet.

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15 November, 1705.

Present, Mr A.D. Bowchier, Mr Shute, Mr Thebs, Mr Nelson, Sr John Philipps, Mr Herne (Dr Davies a Correspondent,) Mr Hoare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Trollop, Mr Fox, Mr Mesler (Mr Skeate a Correspondent,) Mr Harrison a Correspondt, Mr Brewster, Mr Edwards, (Mr Newman a Correspondent.)

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

Agreed that Mr Gardiner be put in Mind of attending Mr Bull with a Subscription Roll, for setting up a Charity-School in Hamstead.

Sr J. Philipps Reported from the Comittee appointed to meet at Nixon's Coffee-house that they had made some ~~some~~ farther Progress in the Matter to them referr'd, and desire that they may have Leave to meet ~~weekly~~ again at the same Place on Monday next in the Evening, and that they may have power to adjourn themselves from time to time, as there may be Occasion: to which the Society Agreed.

Dr Davies acquainted the Society that a Treatise upon Restitution is drawn up and now in the hands of Dr Mannyngham, who has been desired to peruse it.

Mr Fox certified the Society that he has written to Mr Wall, who will consider of the drawing up a Short Tract agst the Anabaptists; and will do so, if he finds he can draw up his Sentiments in brief.

Mr Skeate Reported that the School at Shoreditch is Opend, & 50 boys now taught therein, upon a fund of 94L p an.

Also that that at St Olaves has now 28 Girls taken in, and the Subscriptions advanced to 34L p ann

Mr Nelson read part of a Letter certifying that at York the Boys School flourishes and that there are also 28 Girls, taught and Maintained as these boys are, thro' the Subscriptions & Countenance of divers Ladies & Gentlemen; among whom the Lord Mayor ha ~~[illegible]~~ done much, and lately dined them all in publick.

Agreed that Mr Thomas be a Corresponding Member of this Society, upon the Recommendation of Mr Brewster.

Mr Hoare moved the Society that the ~~Trouble~~ Care of sending Commonprayers to the Correspondents, be for the future, committed to Mr Fox, the Society continuing to allow the two pence for each book sold by ~~them~~ Correspondents, & ~~and that the~~ indemnifying him in case there proove to be any bad debts. To which the Society agreed. And Mr Fox was so kind as to take this upon him.

Mr Fox was desired by the Society to send one Comon-prayer in Calf & another Gilt to each person who sends for a parcel in Sheep. which may be as a Specimen of a Stronger book.

Order'd that the Secretary do Collect together the Minutes relating to the great Charity in Barbadoes, mentioned in the Min: of 12 Oct. 1699; and that he do wait upon Mr Serj.t Hooke, and receive from him what information he can, about it.

A Letter was read from Mr Love of Yarmouth, who sent a Benefaction of 10li from a person who desire's to be unknown: whereupon Mr Treasurer was directed to send him a Specimen of the Societies Papers, & an Ostervald: and the Secretary was Order'd to desire him to thank his friend for his Benefaction. Mr Love also own's the rect. of the last packet.

Another from Mr Jolland of Denton owning the rect. of the last packet, & returning thanks for the same.

Another from Mr Bedford of Bristol, certifying that the Players who lately acted at Bristol, (~~and~~ the Provok'd Wife, among other lewd Plays,) are now about to return to Norwich from whence they came. That the Bp. of Bristol ha's lately writen to Mr Cary about the reestablishm.t of the Charity Schools there. (Mr Shute has it.)

: Whereupon the Society did desire Mr Nelson, Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Sr J Philipps, & Mr Chamberlayne to wait on my Lord of Norwich, to apprise him of the Players design to return to Norwich, and that he would endeavor to prevent their re-settlement there: and the Secretary to write to the Chancellor of Norwich upon the same Subject.

A Letter from Mr Fenwick of Hallaton to Mr Shute, recomending Mr Mason of Ashwell & Mr Rowe of Brystoke, both in Rutland, for Correspondents. and write's for a parcel for Mr Vow of Kings Cliffe, to be paid for.

Another from Mr Vaughan of Derllys to Mr Shute, who recd the packet lately sent to him, ~~which~~ the Comon-prayers, &c ~~in~~ which he will give to Clergymen to disperse: That Welsh Comon-prayers are very much wanted. &c.

Another from Mr Grave of Lewes to Mr Shute owning ye rect. of the Packets lately transmitted to him:, which he ha's dispers'd according to Order; and talks of returning 10d apiece for 5 of the 10 Comon prayers in his particular packet. That there is hopes of raising a Charity School in Lewes, the boys to be clothed.

Ch.

22 November, 1705.

Present, Mr Nelson, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Mr Chamberlayne Mr Woodcock, (Mr Riddal a Correspondent,) Mr Andrews, (Mr Harrison a Correspondent,) Mr Sh Dr Slare, Coll Colchester,

Mr Nelson in the Chair.

62 . . Agreed that upon the Motion of Mr Shute, Mr Liddel of Beddington, be a ing Member of this Society.

~~354~~ ~~Resolved~~ Mr Chamberlayne was desired to write to his friend in ~~Charlestown~~ Barbadoes, about the Charity of 2000l. mentioned in the Minutes of 12 Oct. 1699.

Mr Shute was desired to get some proper person to survey the houses in Glocester Court, that the Society may know what will be the Charges necessary to put them into Repair.

Agreed that half a hundred of ABp. Tillotsons Persuasives in Welsh, be given to Mr Edwards of Shropshire, to distribute in Northwales.

Orderd that the Secretary do collect together all the Minutes relating to the house given by Mr Neale, & that he do bring 'em to the next Meeting.

Sr John Philipps mov'd the Society for some of their books & Papers for Mr Waldron now of Easter; whereupon the Society Orderd him two common Packets.

Sr John Philipps & Mr Shute reported from the Comittee appointed to wait on the Ld. BP. of Norwich, that they had attended his Lordship accordingly; and that his Lordship was pleas'd to promise to use his Endeavors towards defeating the Players in their design of returning to Norwich, as they had been already defeated in Bristol.

|| Mr Fox was desired to enquire whether there be any Welsh Common-prayers in a small volume.

A Letter was read from Mr Bedford of Bristol, desiring that Nath. Day Esqr. (whom he supposes may be now in town,) may be spoken to about re-establishing the Charity-Schools in Bristol: whereupon the Secretary was Order'd to invite him to the Comittee meeting ~~him~~ at Nixon's Coffee-house on Monday next.

Another from Mr Hughes of Kilmersdon, who ha's recd the parcels lately transmitted to him, & sent 'em according to Order. He ha's sold the 5 Comon-prayers; & intend's to send for more, at which time he shall expect another gratis for the twopences saved. He farther certifie's that the School flourishe's, & that adult persons are much edified by the regular & decent behavior of the Poor Children.

Another from Mr Bradshaw of Namptwich who recd the parcels sent him, & sent away the others as directed. He thinks dispersing Comon prayers among the meaner people will do much good, & ha's dispersed many at his own Charge. He intreat's the Society to give him some to disperse in his Parish which consists of above 1200 Families, those sent him being not sufficient; as also some Tracts agst the Anabaptists, & for bringing the Presbyterians to the Church.

Mr Downing was reported to agree to the abridging of the Pietas Hallensis, so as that it be done in two sheets & an half.

A Letter from Mr Turner of Stamford to Mr Shute was read recomending A. D. Woolsy for a Correspondent.

29 November, 1705.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Stubs, Mr Fox, (Mr Anderson & Mr Harrison Correspondts) Coll Colchester, Mr Wyndham, Mr Hoare, ~~(Mr Mr Meller a Correspondt)~~ Sr John Philipps (Mr Therry a Correspondt.) Mr Gardiner by Mr Skeat a Correspondent, Mr Edwards, Dr Slare, Mr Richardson Mr Chamberlayne

Mr Hoare Chairman being deputed by Mr Nelson.

[illegible] that Mr Gardiner be put in [illegible] Mr Bell with a Subscription [illegible] for Erecting a Charity-School in Hamstead.

Agreed that Mr Edwards be ~~joyned to~~ desired to joyne with Mr Gardiner in applying to Mr ~~B[illegible]~~

Sr John Philipps, Reported that the Comittee mett again at ~~the~~ Nixon's Coffee house the last Monday night, and made a farther Progress in the matter to them Referr'd, which they will dispatch with all Convenient speed.

Agreed that Dr Manningham be desired to give his Opinion of the Tract upon Restitution which was lately put into his hands.

Mr Shute said that he had heard the present Ld. Bp. of St. Asaph preach an extraordinary good Sermon upon the Subject of Restitution. Whereupon the Society desired Mr Shute to apply to my Ld. of St. Asaph ~~would~~ that he would be pleased to Consent that the same Sermon may be Printed and dispersed at the Charges of this Society.

Agreed that the Proposers of Correspondents be desired at the time of their Proposing, to give the Directions of their Friends Proposed by them: The Secretary was also Order'd to fill up Mr Treasurers List of Correspondents as well as he can; and to lay it before the Comittee at Nixon's Coffee house in order to be Compleated.

Mr Gardiner was desired to bring a Subscription-Roll to the next Meeting, ~~when the Society will intend Mr~~ and the Secretary was Ordered to desire Mr Nelson to speak to Mr Bosworth to Subscribe it, in order to the Erection of a Schole at Hamstead.

Agreed that Mr Wyndham be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Mr Freake was Approved as a Residing Member, being proposed by Sr John Philipps, and he to desire ~~their~~ his Attendance.

Mr Stubs ~~from~~ and Dr Maplestoft moved for a smal Number of Bibles & Comon prayer for the Pensioners in Greenwich Hospital; which motion was referr'd to ye Standing Committee.

Mr Hoare certified the Society that Mr Nelson ha's procured a Benefaction of 40li to be disposed of in Whole Duties of Man, as ye Society shall direct.

Mr Gardiner Reported that there is 25li p ann lately subscribed toward the New Schole for Boys in ye Parish of St Sepulchres in Middlesex

Agreed that Mr Nelson be desired to give the Thanks of this Society to his friend for this last Benefaction.

Mr Gardiner, also certified that the Lady Blake ha's bequeathed 40li to the Girls Schole in the Parish of St Sepulchres London.

Also, that at Banbury in Oxfordshire, the Subscriptions to the Charity Schole is advanced to 45li p ann.

Also, that at the Church of St Martins in the Fields, the last Sunday, there was Collected for the Charity Schools, the sum of 47li.

Also, that ~~at~~ ye same day, 80li was Collected at the Church of St. Annes Westmr.

Mr Shute Reported that in the same day there was Collected 7li at Shoreditch for the behoofe of the Schole there.

Also that at St Olave's the Subscription is increased to 36li p ann, & 30 Girls are now taken in.

Sr John Philipps mov'd to the Society the having a Dinner this year as it ha's been in the 2 last years, for the better keeping up & promoting a mutual Acquaintance, & personal Friendships among the members of this Society.

Resolved that such Dinner be had, that the Place be the Inquest house at St Dunstans Church, & the Time be, next Wednesday come Sennight at 2 a clock.

Order'd that the Secretary do notifie this to the absent Members.

Agreed that Mr Hoare, Mr Moller, Mr Melmoth & Mr Jenner be Stewards for this Dinner, and the price to be 2s. 6d. ℘ head.

The Secretary produced the Minutes relating to the Houses in Ware given by Mr Neale to the Society; whereupon the Society desired that Mr Edwards & Mr Gardiner would look out for a Purchaser for them.

Mr Bradshaw's Letter read the 22d Instant, was refer'd to the Standing Comittee.

Dr Slare was desired to speak to the Translator of the Pietas Hallensis, to abridge his book.

→ Mr Vaughan of Derllys's Letter to Mr Shute, dated Nov. 10. 1705. was read again, wherein he again desires the Society to move the Bps of this Kingdom to disperse Books in their several Dioceses, relating to Family-Prayer; & that they would exhort their Clergy to make particular & frequent Applications to the House keepers of their several Parishes, to sett up Family Devotions in their respective Houses, ~~& never leave of their Importunities till they have brought 'em to a complyance;~~ Whereupon 'twas Order'd that this matter be taken into Consideration at next Meeting.

Agreed that Mr Colbron of Brighthelmston in Sussex be a Corresponding Member of this Society upon the Motion of Mr Shute.

Letters were read ~~of~~ from Mr King of Exeter, Mr Bradley of York, Mr Foster of Broseley, Mr Cranston of Riegate to Mr Shute, owning the receit of the Packets sent to 'em, and certifying the transmitting of those designed for others.

Letters were read from Dr Woodward of Poplar to the Secretary, owning his rect of the Packet lately sent him; and specifying that he is ready to make some small addition to the Charity which the Society will next send to the French Confessors in the Gally

Another from Mr Haddon of Bolton (in Lancashire) who accepts the Correspondence, & ha's recd the Packet lately sent him. He was proposed by Mr Shute.

Another from Mr Shaw of Warrington, who ha's recd the Packet sent to him by the Society & desire's a parcel of Common-prayers & other books to be paid for.

Another from Mr Williams of Cheltenham in Gloucestershire: who, by chance, recd the Society Packet; & return's 4s. 2d. for the 5 Comon prayer books. He also writes for another parcel to be pd for

Another from Mr Saywell of Bluntisham in Huntingdonshire accepting the Correspondence being proposed by Mr Smith of Great Paxton.

6 December. 1705.

Present, Mr Shute. Mr Chamberlayne, Sr Jno. Philipps. Dr Slare, (Mr De la Bere & Mr Bedford Correspondents.) Mr Wyndham, Mr Fox, Mr Hoare. Mr Bromfield, Mr Richardson, (Mr Thomas a Correspondent,) Mr Edwards, Mr Jenner,

Mr Wyndham in the Chair.

Chamberlayne acquainted the Society that he would write about the great Charity Sch

in Barbadoes, by the first ships that shall be bound thither.

Mr Shute said that he had spoken to Mr Aldrich the Joyner to survey the Societies Houses in Glocester Court; & that he ha's promised so to do.

Mr Chamberlayne ~~said he would~~ was desired to confer with the Ld. Bp. of Norwich, about preventing the re-settlement of the Players in Norwich, and about what his Lordship did in this matter, since the Application lately made to him.

Agreed ~~that half [illegible] of~~ the remainder of the impression of Mr Bedfords Sermons against the Players, be bought, for a sum not exceeding 5 li ~~and~~ and Mr Wyndham ~~by promising~~ promised to take off 100 more ~~of them~~ at 25 s. ~~per~~ a hundred.

Mr Fox certified the Society that upon enquiry he cannot meet with any Welsh Common-prayers in a small volume. That Mr Whitledge did disperse some proposals for printing such a book; but did desist, upon ~~some~~ notice he had that the Welsh Bps have this same matter under their Consideration. Whereupon Sr J. Philipps & Mr Chamberlayne were desired to attend those Bps in Order to know what they have done in this ~~matter~~ affair. and also to desire the Ld. Bp. of Hereford to give them a List of religious Books printed already in Welsh.

~~Sr John Philipps mov'd the Society for a parcel of Dr Woodwards Treatise agt Detraction to Mr Fox ex pay~~

Order'd that ~~what~~ the Letters ~~are to~~ be read immediatly after the New Motions, and before the 2d. Reading of the last Minutes.

A Letter was read from Mr Lawrence of Yelvertoft to Mr Shute, ~~who~~ owning the recd. of the Societies Packet lately sent to him.

A Letter was read from Mr Middleton of Cuckfield to the Secretary, certifying that a Gentleman in his parish will send up 10 li to the Society, but desire's to be told how it may be best laid out. tho' his Opinion be for applying it to Schools. He will send Mr Shute 6 Folios for the Welsh Libraries. The Meeting of the Clergy near him, is very seldom; and he desire's that Mr Lightmaker may be again desired to settle his intended Foundation of a School. And that Mr Wood of Horstead Keynes is dead. The Secretary was order'd in his Answer to lett Mr Middleton know that they are thankful for the 10 li; and will be careful in the laying it out, upon their recd. of it.

A Letter was read from Mr Abel of Stilton in Huntingdonshire accepting the Correspondence; being proposed by ~~Mr~~ Mr Turner in a Letter to Mr Shute.

A Letter was read from Mr Vaughan of Derllys to Sr J. Philipps, ~~which~~ and refer'd to the Committee. And the Consideration of Erecting Lending Libraries in Wales was also refer'd to the same Standing Committee.

A Letter was read from Mr Shute now at Greenwich, who certifie's that the Bp. of St Asaph will revise his notes upon Restitution; & give's great hopes of their being made the Societies Copy.

A Letter was read from Mr Nelson, who prove's not to be acquainted with Mr Boldsworth; and will give the thanks of the Society to his friend who gives the Whole Duty of Man. And this same Benefactor will farther give the Society 500 of Dr Bray's Baptismal Covenants. The Secretary was order'd to desire him again to return the Thanks of the Society to this Noble Benefactor.

Dr Slare Reported that Mr Gardiner (who has a very good Interest at Ware) will do all he can to gett a Purchaser for the Societies houses there.

Mr Bromfield brought 20 s. ~~as~~ a Benefaction to this Society from a person who desire's to be unknown; & Mr Bromfield was desired to return the Thanks of the Society for the same.

Order'd that ~~a Packet with~~ an Ostervald be given to this Benefactor

6. Mr Edwards propos'd to the Society, that ~~it wa~~ a Scheme might be made of the ~~Setting~~ Eminency of the Society, the Success of Charity Schools, Collections at Churches, Benefactions to the Society, &c. might be laid before the Society after their publick Annual Dinners And this Proposal was ~~[illegible]~~ Refer'd to the next meeting.

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Mr Bedford Reported that He & the Secretary had attended Mr Day the Mayor of Bristol according to Order, and that Mr Mayor did promise to promote the Reestablishment of the Charity Schools in Bristol as far as he can. And Mr Bedford farther said, that the Ld. Bp. of Bristol has subscribed 5li. p anno to this good Intent already.

Ch. & Fr.

13 December 1705.

Present Sr John Philips ~~Coll~~ Coll Colchester Mr Brewster Mr Stubs Mr Hoar Mr Edwards, Mr Shute,

Mr Gardner left a Subscription Roll & desired in order to the Erecting of a School at Hampsted.

Agreed that the Benefaction reported by Mr Wolson of 40li in Whole Duke of man be referr'd to the Committee to whom the list of the Confer Correspondents is referr'd.

Sr John Philips Reported that the Society according to the former Resolution Meet & dined at the Inquest house of St Dunstan and that the number of Gent was abt 40.

Agreed that Mr Melmoth Mr Keller Mr Jenner & Mr Hoar the Stewards of the sd Dinner be return'd the Thanks of this Society for their Trouble in their good managery of the Same.

Agreed that Mr Gardiner have full Power from the Society for Getting the Rents of Mr Healy's Benefaction at A[illegible] Mare and [illegible] also to Turne out the Tenants & sell the Same Estate there if he thinks fit And be desired to Enquire after a Purchaser for the Same Estate.

Agreed that ~~mr~~ Dr Slare be put in mind of Speaking to the Translator of the Rector Hallifax's in abt Abridging the Same

Agreed That the Consideration of Mr Vaughans Letter mentioned in the Minute of the 29 of Novr be refer'd to the Standing Committee.

Agreed That mr ~~Jt~~ Treasurer furnish mr Dean of Lincoln wth a Packett ~~not~~ not Exceeding ~~the~~ 20s Value.

Agreed That a Packett be Delivered to mr Seth Hook at his Request (at the discretion of mr Tr—) not Exceeding 10s Value.

Agreed n c That Bracewell of Bedford formerly proposed for A ~~Correspondent~~ Residing Member be accepted into ye Society as a Corresponding Member Only; he being living in the Country & being at Great Charge there in furthering the Designs of the Society.

Agreed That mr Bulstrode's Request for some Bibles & Comon Prayer Books be Referred to the Consideration of the Standing Committee.

A Letter was read from the Revd Mr Banks of Hull promising 20s towards the binding Librarys in Wales

A Letter was read from Mr Chancellor Tanner of Norwich desiring a Parcel of practical Tracts to be pd for; and giving an acct of his endeavours to suppress ye Players there, for wch he has ye thanks of ye Soc, and a Specification of all the Treatises relating to ye danger to Religion from Plays:

A Letter was read from Mr Lidde of Bedford St Paul's desiring some Bibles & Common-Prayer books for his Charity-Children, wch is referred to ye Committee;

Mr Shute reported that ye Pr. Lay Hallifax is abridged, & will shortly be published:

A Letter from Mr Killingbeck of Leeds, was read, giving an acct of the Charity Schole there, to wch is subscribed already upwards of 160 pounds: & the Gentlemen of ye Corporation have given a fair House for ye reception of 40 boys, moved thereto by a Paper printed at York, intituled "An acct of "ye Charity-Schole at York &c in a Letter from a Citizen of York to an "Alderman of Leeds; agreed that ye Secretary do write to ye Gentlemen [illegible]

S. J. Philipps reported yt ye Standing Committee had made some progress in the matter refer'd to ym.

20 December, 1705.

Present Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, (Mr Thomas a Correspondent,) Mr Hoare Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary: Mr Nelson, Mr Richardson, Mr Fox, (Mr Thirmy, Mr Skate & Mr Gardiner, Correspondents,) Mr Shute, Mr Edwards, Dr Slare,

Sir John Philipps in the Chair, being deputed by Mr Wyndham.

Mr Chamberlayne Reported that he had lately seen Mr Chilton the Attorney General of Barbadoes, who remember's nothing of any Charity Concealed in Barbadoes; but believ's there might have been some such matter in Virginia, after which he will make Enquiry.

Mr Shute reported from Mr Aldrich the Joyner, who upon Inspection of the Houses in Glocester Court, say's there is but little need of Joyners working there as yet: and that Mr Stroud's Bricklayer say's twill be better to defer the Reparation of those houses till next Spring.

Mr Chamberlayne reported that the Ld. Bp. of Norwich has once written to Norwich ~~about~~ agst the Players settlement there; and not having an Answer, promis'd to write again the next Post.

Sr J. Philipps Reported that he had spoken to the Lds Bps of Hereford & Bangor, who were ~~highly of~~ Opinion that the Welsh Common Prayers might very well be printed in both great & small Volumes, they being much wanted; but did not say that they, or any other Bishops had that matter under their Consideration. Whereupon Mr Fox was desired to procure Mr Whitlege's Proposals, & lay 'em before the Committee.

Mr Chamberlayne Reported that the Ld. Bp. of Hereford has drawn up a Catalogue of all Religious Books printed in Welsh; and that his Lordship has promis'd to communicate it to him.

A Motion made at the Standing Committee ~~and referred to the Consideration of the Society, was read~~ was reported to the Society importing that all books ~~now~~ actually given to the Society shall be put into the Hands of the Residing Members, & by them given to such poor Families in Town & Countrey as they shall think will make the best use of them, & do most ~~want~~ need them. This Motion ~~being~~ was after some Debate, recommitted to the same Committee.

Agreed that 30 books of all the sorts given by Mr Nelsons Friend, be sent into Worcestershire, where he has an Estate.

A Letter was read from Mr Ellis of Sheffield to Mr Skate, importing that there is now near 50li p ann subscribed to the Charity School there; and hopes of 10li p ann more: principally thro' the active Endeavors of their Vicar, of whom, ~~&~~ of his Sermon (preached on purpose to promote this Charity,) he gives great Commendations.

Mr Skate Reported that the Subscriptions to the School at St. Olave's is increased to 50li p ann ~~and that~~ there has been presented 30 ells of painted Callicos, to make the Children aprons; as also a Benefaction of 10li.

Agreed that a Packet, with an Ostervald, be delivered to Mr Nelson & presented to his Friend the Benefactor.

Mr Fox read part of a Letter from Mr Wall who was desired to abridge his History of Infant-Baptism; Mr Fox also produced that Abridgement which was referr'd to the perusal of the Divines of the Society, or to any two of them, ~~who~~ and a report to be made at next Meeting.

Agreed that a Packet with an Ostervald be given to Mr Thomas upon his desire.

Thibs Reported that the Ld. Bp. of St. Asaph is reciting his Sermon about Restitution, an that when he ha's done, he shall hear again from him.

Part of a letter from Mr Woodford of Epsom to Mr Thibs was read, accepting the ~~Socy~~ Correspondence, he having been propos'd by Mr Thibs. He say's farther, that there are 5 or 6 Ministers in Hampshire who meet together once a fortnight, and have gott a School-master for 20ll a year, to teach the poor Children of 6 parishes. The Schoolmaster is placed in the Center, & he intend's to do the same thing about Epsom.

A Letter was read from Mr Robinson of Leeds, owning the Rect. of the Packets sent to him by Mr Killingbeck, for which they will be willing to pay. They are intent upon their School-Business, tho' they meet with some Obstructions. And they even want Boys, the Clothing Trade Employing all those of the Town.

A Letter was read from Mr Turner of Mansell's-hope, who being resolv'd to Teach the Poor Children of his Parish, in his own house, desire's a small parcel of School Books, & other useful Books. & specifie's that there are two pretty learning Boys, who want Bibles. Mr Treasurer was Order'd to send him a small parcel according to his Discretion.

Another from Dr Talbot, of Spofforth, who accepts the Correspondence, (being propos'd from a letter of Mr Bridges,) he say's that Six Catechetical Schools within 12 Miles from Spofforth, have been, or will be erected & endow'd within one year. That the same Design is on foot in his Parish which consists of ~~twelve~~ [illegible] Townships, & abound's with Ignorant & Poor People, among whom at least 100 have been seduc'd to the Errors of the Church of Rome by two Popish Priests whose Industry he shall Equal on his Part. Since his Incumbency but one only Gentleman ha's been Seduc'd, & he returned back before he died. That being informed how Popish Catechisms have been distributed, & Children Popishly Educated by the Priests; he ha's drawn up an Exposition of the Church Catechism & ~~order'd~~ caused it to be Printed, & Children are now Instructed therein with good Success. He ha's likewise sett up a Catechetical Lecture, to succeed the Childrens publick Examination every Sunday in the Afternoon. He has oblig'd his Curate at Wetherby to Teach & Examine publicly a competent number of Poor Children, having doubled his Salary. He ha's persuaded the Inhabitants of ~~Wetherby~~ Spofforth to repair an antient School & School house, & subscribe for the Constant repair of the same, & ha's joyn'd with them in their Request to the Duke of Somerset, for Annexing a Salary to it for Encouraging a Schoolmaster to Instruct a Number of Poor Children in Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, & the Catechism. Upon his Graces Favorable Answer, he will Subscribe himself, & procure the Subscription of others, for the Instruction of the Poor of Four Townships. He ha's ~~placed~~ removed a very hopeful Child Popishly Educated, ~~in one of~~ And hope's that the D. of Devonshire who is Lord of Wetherby may, by the D. of Somerset's Example, be induced to Subscribe also.

2d) Another from Mr Leith of Bedford who recd the parcel of Books & Papers lately transmitted to him; which he distributes with a Charity of a devout Lady ~~of~~ in the same Books, as occasion offers. He inte to raise a little Stock for buying Comon-prayers: he certifie's that the 40 Children taught in his School advance in their Learning, & begin to Call for Bibles & Comon-prayers. Some of them he ha's supplied, the rest must stay till the return of the next Harvest, if not supplyed sooner other ways. The Charity of 4 or 5 Gentlemen buy's the Children Cloths, which he hope's is the best spent Money they ever laid out.

27 December, 1705.

~~960~~ Present Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth, Mr Andrews, Mr Fox, Mr Brij.t Hooke, Mr Edwards, Mr Nelson, Coll Colchester, Mr Wyndham,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, Mr Wyndham being absent.

Mr Shute produced a Rect. for the 20li lately given to the Confessors in the Gallies & ~~Deacons of~~ ~~[illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible] desired to remitt~~ &c. to them, ~~by the same Hands~~. The Consideration of ~~the~~ remitting of more money was deferr'd to the next meeting; and in the meantime Mr Brij.t Hooke, Mr [illegible]moth, & Mr Edwards were desired to consider of the Legality of this affair.

A Letter was read from Mr Davenport of Broad Hinton in Wiltshire to Mr Shute, owning the rect. of the Packet lately given to him; thanks the Society for the 5li lately Order'd him for his School, which will be open'd immediatly after Christmass. And desire's some Bibles to be sent to him, when the Society send away their next Parcells; his Parishioners being all furnish'd with Whole Duties of Man already.

The Abridgment of ~~the Abridgment of~~ the Pietas Hallensis is referred to the Standing Committee.

Agreed that 150 of ~~all~~ the Tracts about Family-Prayer, be given to Mr Davenport of Broad-Hinton.

Agreed that the Consideration of Erecting a School at Hamstead be deferr'd to the next Meeting.

Agreed that some of Dr ~~[illegible]~~ Tillotson's Sermons agt. Popery be putt into the Packet to be ~~[illegible]~~ sent to Dr Talbott.

Mr Bull who was propos'd for a Residing Member of the Society by Mr Chamberlayne, was Balloted for, & Elected: and Mr Edwards to desire his Attend[illegible]e.

A Letter was read from Mr Carte of Leicester, desiring a Parcel of Books to be paid for.

A Letter was read from Mr Lewis at Sr Edw. Mansell's at Margam to Mr Wyndham, accepting the Correspondence; & giving 5li to the Corporation-Society. Give's hopes of Sr Edw. Mansell's Encouraging the Erection of Lending Libraries; & certifie's that at Margam there is a School of some years Erection, wherein 12 poor Children are Maintain'd at ye Expense of a private Person

Agreed that Mr Edwards be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

Mr Fox Produced Mr Whitledge's Proposals, & Specimen of a Welsh Common-prayer in 12mo. and Sr John Philipps was desired to shew the same to the Welsh Bishops.

Sr John Philipps Reported from the Standing Committee, that they had went thro' the Affair of sending the Parcels of Books to the Correspondents &c. and had fixed the same for 79 Parcell

The Secretary produced a Draught of a Letter to the Correspondents, & of Instructions touching their Distribution of the Books. Which being Read & Amended; the Letter was Order'd to be transcribed & sent away forthwith: and the Instructions to be sent along with ye Parcell

The Society referr'd it to the Comittee for making up a Packet for the Ld. Bp. of Worcestr.

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3 · January 1705/6.

Present, Mr Meller, Mr Brij.h Hooke, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, the Secreta Mr Nelson, Mr Fox, Mr Woodcock, Mr Hoare, Mr Freake, Dr Slare, (Mr Wheeler a Correspond Mr Melmoth, Mr Bulstrode, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Bull, Coll Colchester, Sr J. Philipps, Mr Trollope, Mr Edwards.

Mr Edwards in the Chair,

(1.) Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Shute, & desire him to send the Abridgmt. of Mr Walls book to Dr Manningham, that a Report may be made to the Society concerning it. 369

(2.) Mr Chamberlayne read two Paragraphs ~~of~~ two Letters from Mr Osterwald to Mademoiselle Chamier, wherein he desires to know the Opinion of his Grace the A:B. of Canterbury concerning the Liturgy lately establish'd in the Church of Neufchâtel, & transmitted hither: the other owning the receit of the Welsh, Irish & other Bibles ~~lately~~ sent to him by the Society.

(3.) Mr Chamberlayne produced the Ld. Bp. of Hereford's List of Welsh Books, being 68 in Number, whereof 58 have been printed; and 10 have not yet been Printed, tho' they are Translated.

(4) Agreed that the Society's usual Allowance of four pounds be given to Mr Shute's Servants.

(5) Mr Melmoth propos'd that a Comittee may be Appointed to consider of a proper place & time for the Meeting of the Standing Committee: whereupon the Society

(6.) Order'd that A Comittee Do Consider of this Matter, that they meet at Nixon's Coffee house next Monday evening at 6 a clock, and that Mr Edwards, Mr Wyndham, Sr John Philipps, Mr Melmoth, Mr Hoare, Dr Slare, and Mr Shute, or any 3 of them be this Committee, and as many others of the Residing Members as come, are to have voices.

(7.) Mr Shute acquainted the society that Sr Edm. Turner, who is in the Country with design not to return again to Town; ~~who~~ desires a parcell of the Society's Books & Papers; the Society Order'd him a parcel, the Value not exceeding 20s.

(8) Also that Mr Keith has own'd the receit of the last parcel given him by the Society.

(9) Agreed that Mr Treasurer do pay Monsr. DuBordieu thirty pounds for the use of the French Protestants.

(10) Mr Nelson reported that the Ld. Bp. of St Asaph is well pleas'd with the design of Printing the Welsh Common prayer in 12mo. towards which he will Subscribe himself, & speak to the other Welsh Bps about it, which being done, Mr Nelson shall hear more from him.

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10. January, 1705/6.

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Riddal, the Secretary: Mr Hodges, Mr Edwards, Mr Meller, Mr Bromfield, Mr Fox, Mr Nelson, Mr Andrews, Mr Thebs, Mr Melmoth, Dr Slare,

Mr Edwards in the Chair.

~~Agreed that Mr Downing be desired that to send a Pietas Hallensis, & one of the the Ms Abridgment of it to the Standing Comittee, who is to Consider farther about the Abridgment, & to make a Report at next Meeting.~~

Mr Chamberlayne Reported that a Lady has placed about 400l. ~~of which~~ into the hands of the A Bp. of Dublin, and has ~~not~~ Appropriated all ~~about~~ but 50l or 60l of it: which sum the ~~same~~ same A.Bp. advises her to give toward the Support of such Charity Schools as

~~[illegible]~~ desired Mr Chamberlayne to enquire about such Schools,

Whereupon the Society desired that Mr Skate & Mr Mitchel would attend Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Chamberlayne, and certify him what Charity Schools do most stand in need of this Charity.

Mr Chamberlayne also reported that very lately there has been collected 50li at the New Chapel, for the Blew Coat Boys ~~of that Parish~~ belonging to it.

Dr Hare Reported from the Committee that Dr Manningham, Dr Woodward, & He himself had perused the Abridgmt. of the Pietas Hallensis, & that they all approved it.

Agreed that 500 of them be bought, and that 3 of them be putt in to each of the Packets that are now about to be sent; and Mr Treasurer to agree for the Price.

Mr Nelson reported that the same Noble Benefactor to this Society has now given them also 500 of Dr Brays Pastoral Letters to young People: which are likewise to be sent in the Packets, ~~with the~~ proportionably. ~~with the other books~~.

Mr Shute produced Mr Walls Abridgemt. of his History of Infant Baptism, and it having been Approved

Mr Fox was desired to give the Thanks of this Society to Mr Wall for his Excellent Performance.

Mr Shute & Mr Fox were desired to treat with Mr Downing about Printing this Book; and to make a Report ~~of it~~ at next Meeting.

~~Mr~~ Sr. John Philipps reported from the Committee that they had considered of a place of meeting for the Standing Committee, and upon Mr Melmoth's kind Motion, ~~but~~ were of Opinion that ~~the~~ Mr Melmoth's Chambers in Lincolns Inn would be a proper Place; & the Time they thought might be convenient on Monday Evenings at seven a Clock. To this Opinion the Society Agreed.

Mr Nelson produced a Passage out of A.B. Tillotsons Sermons agt. Plays, & the Society Order'd 5000 of them to be Printed.

Mr Nelson Reported that the L. Bp. of St Asaph had been with him, & told him that he had spoken to the Bps. of Hereford & Bangor about printing the Welsh Common-prayer in 12mo which design they exceedingly approve, & will subscribe towards it, & pro~~mote~~cure the Subscriptions of others. That the Bp. of Hereford has a very exact Common prayer to Correct the Press by. ~~And~~ the Bp. of St Asaph [illegible] desired Mr Nelson to write to the Bp. of St Davids about this matter.

Mr Shute Reported that Dr Gibbon & His Lady will Subscribe toward the Erection of a School in Hamstead for Boys & Girls & promote it as far as they can.

Part of a Letter was read from Mr Williams of Chiltenham in Gloucestershire to Mr Shute, seeming to decline the Correspondence, because of Subscribing to the Society. Mr Shute was Desired to ~~undeceive~~ sett him right as to this particular.

Another from Mr Tanner of Norwich who owns ye receit of the packet he wrote for, & promises his utmost Efforts agt. the Players, if those now making by the Arch Deacon, who is a wise man & is acquainted with the Magistrates, prove abortive.

Another from Mr Bal[illegible] of New Castle upon Tine to Mr Bridges, who certifies, that an ~~unknown~~ Person ~~gives~~ will who desires to be unknown till Death, has offered 20li p annum

Education of the poor Children of his Parish; desiring the Magistrates to build a School & Dwelling for the Master. And that the Magistrates have thereupon promised to hire a house forthwith, & build one as soon as it may be. 3~~65~~

A Letter was read from Mr Lawrence of Yelvertoft in Northamptonshire, owning the receit of the last Packet, & writing for a parcel to be paid for.

Another from Mr Harrison of Cirencester accepting the Correspondence; being proposed by Mr Nelson.

Another from Mr Cowper of Great Bradley in Suffolk, accepting the Correspondence being proposed by Mr Thomas.

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17 January, 1705/6.

Present, Mr Ince, Mr Shute, Mr Edwards, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary; Mr Wyndham, Mr Hoare, Sr J. Philipps, Mr Bromfield, Mr Melmoth, Coll. Colchester, Mr Reynolds, Mr Meller, ~~Mr~~ Dr Hare, Mr Skate a Correspondent, Mr Richardson, Sr R. Bulkeley a Correspondent, Mr Nelson,

Mr Edwards in the Chair,

Mr Chamberlayne reported that the last Lords day the Lord A.B. of Dublin preach'd at St Margts Church Westmr. in the Morning, and the Ld Bp. of Carlile in the Afternoon, and that there was thereupon Collected the sum of $97^{l}.3^{s}.0^{d}.$ for the use of the Grey-Coat-Hospital, & money sent in the same ~~pr~~ night, made up that sum above £100.-.-

A Letter was read from Mr Turner of Mansells hope in Herefordshire certifying that he teaches some poor Children Gratis whom he hopes to encrease to the Number of twenty, & desiring a parcel of Books, the Society Order'd him a parcel not exceeding the value of 20s.

A Letter was read from Mr Smith of Great Paxton, who says twas ~~was~~ some discouragements & Obstacles that made him seem to withdraw from the Correspondence; that a foundation for a School at St Neots laid by him above a year ago, does now again go forward, 22£ p anno being Subscribed. And desiring some Benefaction at the Opening the School, the Secretary was Order'd to certify ~~him~~ yt the Society will send him some Books: &c.

Another was read from Mr Carte of Leicester concerning the payment of the Parcel of Books he lately wrote for.

Agreed that Mr Treasurer ~~do give~~ may dispose of a small parcell of Books & Papers to a certain Residing Member.

Agreed that the Treasurer ~~do~~ shall have a power of giving to any of the Residing Members, a Common Packet, or a parcel of books & papers to the value of 5s. without a particular Motion to the Society for the same.

Resolved that it be a Standing Order of this Society, That no person who shall propose any other for a Residing Member of this Society, do certifie him before hand, that he shall be proposed to this Society for a Residing Member; but acquaint him afterwards that he is actually chosen.

Order'd that the Report from the Committee concerning the Welsh Libraries, be made at next Meeting.

The Secretary produced a Draught of a Letter to the Welsh Correspondents &c. desiring

+ them to be Receivers for Benefactions to the Welsh Libraries, which was Referr'd to the Committee; & they to have power to agree upon the form, & to Order the writt away.

3 Agreed that a Common Packet be given to Mr Kirkwood, upon the Motion of Mr Edwards.

Mr Shale acquainting the Society that ye Bp. of Salisbury Preach'd last Lords day at Clerkenwell Church, upon which Sermon there was 9li Collected.

Also, that the Subscription to the School at Shoreditch, amounts now to 105li p an

Also, that the Subscriptions to the School at St. Olave's amount to 54li p ann

Agreed that 1000 Copies of Mr Walls Abridgmt. of his History of Infant Baptism be Printed at the Charge of this Society; and Mr Fox was desired to speak to Mr Wall about waving his Dedication to the Society.

The manner of Dispersing the printed Copies of the paper Produced by Mr Nelson agt. Plays, together with the Addition recomended by the Society to his Care, was Agreed to be Consider'd at next Meeting.

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24 January. 1705/6

Present, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Stubs, Mr Fox, the Secretary; Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Trollope, Mr Hoare, Mr Edwards, Mr Shale & Mr Gardiner Correspondents, Mr Richardson.

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, Mr Edwards being absent.

(1.) Mr Chamberlayne Reported that he had laid some Papers relating to the Deficiencies of Charity Schools before the Arch Bp. of Dublin, and that he will again wait on him to know what has been done in this affair.

(2.) Mr Treasurer Reported that the Abridgmt. of the Pietas Hallensis is printing, & that the Price is to be 20s a Hundred, if it come's within 3 Sheets.

(3) Agreed that Mr Nelson be desired to return the Thanks of this Society to his Friend, for ye Benefaction of 500 of Dr Brays Pastoral Letters.

(4) A Letter was read from Mr Varlo of Portsmouth to Mr Shute, remitting 30s for the Welsh Libraries: he was Order'd to be Thankt.

(5.) A Letter was read from Mr Evans of Uffington, certifying that he had a promising prospect of Erecting Charity schools (at Peterburgh?) which the Heats raised by different parties has prevented; but he hope's better times to reiterate his Endeavors. He has procured a Monthly Meeting of some of his Neighbouring Clergy, tho' of different Dioceses; Own's ye Rect. of the packet; and wishe's well to the Design of Erecting Libraries in Wales.

(6.) Another from Dr Talbot of Spofforth, shewing, that he will take his Diocesan's Direction for setting up a Meeting of the Clergy in his Neighbourhood, & that he already finds a good Disposition in them toward the same. He will also sollicit his Neighbouring Gentry for Subscriptions and farther Promise's to take his Part in Composing & Dispersing whatever the Society shall think most proper for ye Benefit of the Poor & Ignorant: He Promise's to make a Present to the Society of His Explanation of the Church Catechism, & to Submitt the same to their Judgment before the Publication of a Second Edition.

(7.) Agreed that a Pietas Hallensis at large, be putt into the Packet which is to be sent to Dr Talbott.

(8.) The Secretary was Order'd to thank Dr Talbott, & especially for his kind Offer of ~~Composing~~ Writing, when desired; and to lett him know, that the Society will in a little time request him to take Pen in hand upon a very good, tho' uncommon Subject. (viz. Great Duty of School-Masters to promote ~~the Necessity of~~ a Christian Education of Children ~~Directed principally to the Teachers of Charity Schools~~.)

(9.) A Letter was Read from Mr A. D. Frank, desiring some Benefaction from the Society to the School at St Neots; & offering to relinquish some of that money given by the Society to Newport Pagnell (1 of the Society shall desire it; that so somewhat may be given to St. Neots, according to some hope he had given to Mr Smith of Great Barton.

Whereupon the Society Agreed that Mr A. Dr Frank shall apply a sum not exceeding ~~5 Pou~~ five pounds (part of ye 25li given to promote Charity Schools in the Country, 1 Nov. 1705.) for the behoof of the Charity School at St Neots, in such manner as he shall think fit.

0) Mr Shute was desired to enquire of Mr Manship what number he has of the Christian Monitor in Welsh; and the Prices of them.

1.) Mr Shute related that he had recd 200li from a Member of this Society; wherewith he doubts not but to sett 20 poor Boys & Girls to Prentice; and to release 94 Prisoners from ~~Pris~~ several Prisons. ~~Whereupon~~

2.) Sr John Philipps moved that a Poors Box may be sett up in some Convenient place at the Societies Meetings, where such Gentlemen as are so disposed may putt in their Charity, with Secrecy; especially since it appears that great Mercy may be shewed to the Poor, with small Sums of Money. Which Motion was referr'd to the Standing Comittee; ~~and~~ And the Comittee is also to consider of some proper Book which may with Advantage be putt into the Hands of poor People, lately redeem'd from Prison.

13.) Mr Shute desiring a parcel of Books relating to Family Prayer, ~~and~~ &c Mr Treasurer was Order'd to furnish him.

14.) Mr Shute Reported that last Lords Day in the Afternoon, Dr Haslewood preach'd at Aldgate, and that there was thereupon 10li Collected. for the Charity School there.

15.) Mr Gardiner Reported that the 9th of December there was 9li Collected at Aldersgate Church for the Charity School there

16.) Sr John Philipps reported from the Standing Committee, that they had farther Amended the Proposals for the Welsh Libraries, and did think the same might be properly laid before the Bp. of Worcester, & the Welsh Bps for their Concurrence before it be Printed: The Society Aproved this, & Empowered the Comittee to Order these proposals to the Press, after they shall receive the same Back again from the Bishops.

(17.) ~~Also, th~~ Sr John Philipps also Reported that they had Agreed upon a Letter to the Receivers for the Welsh Libraries, & had Order'd it to be sent.

(18) Mr Gardiner farther Reported that the 16th of December last, two Sermons were Preached, one in the Church of St Giles in the Fields, the other in the Chapel. In the Chapel was thereupon Collected li18. & in the Church was collected li81. 2. 2½ & 25li more sent in. the same night. In all li124. 2. 2

(19.) Also, that at Canterbury there is a Charity-School going forward for 45 Boys, 47 pounds being Subscribed.

(20.) Also, that at Maidston a School is begun, 5li p ann being Subscribed.

(21.) Also, that the Subscription to the school at St Sepulchres Middlesex, is advanced to li30 p ann

(22.) Agreed that there be a Summons of all the Resident Members of the Society. before any new Book or Paper be Order'd to be putt into the Packet; & this to be a Standing order.

(23.) Agreed that a quarter of an hundred of the Paper agt. Plays be sent to every Residing Member of the Society; that others be posted under the Playhouse Bills; & others putt into Coffeehouses & Chocolate houses, that the Messenger see this done; and the farther Dispersing of it be Consider'd at next Meeting.

Jan^ry 31 1705/6

~~368~~. Present Sir Jno Phillips, Dr Bray, Mr Meller, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Mr Edwards Mr Chamberlayne Mr Mr Bromfield, Dr Slare, Mr Stubs, Mr Hoar, Coll. Colchester Mr Richardson, Mr Wyndham.

Mr Edwards in ye Chair

1. Order'd that the business of sending some School-books to Mr Turner of Mansels hope be Adjourned till the Secretary attends with the Letter from ye s^d Gentleman.

Mr Fox was agen desir'd to speak to Mr Wall ab^t Waving his Dedication to the Society.

3) Order'd that the Letter Book containing the Abstracts of Letters to the Society be brought hither at the next Meeting, & that the same do always lye upon the Table for the Perusal of the Members.

4) Order'd that 25 Copies of each of the 3 sorts of Family-Devotion be deliver'd to Mr Chamberlayne for the use of the L^d B^p of St Davids, in order to be Dispersed thro' his L^ps Diocese.

5) Mr Wyndham was desir'd to write to ~~Coll. yate~~ Mr Bedford of Bristol ab^t Erecting Charity Schools in that City, after he has discours'd Coll. yate who is now in town upon the same subject.

(6) Order'd that a ~~sum~~ Parcel of Books the Value not exceeding 40^s be allow'd for the use of the Charity Schools ~~there~~ at Newland near Monmouth, under the care of Mr Humfry Jorden upon the motion of Mr Wyndham; & that a Pietas Hallensis & Ostervalds Catechism be put into the Packet.

7) Agreed that Mr John Hall of Darkin in Surry be a Lay-Correspondent for the s^d County upon the Motion of Mr Cranston.

(8) Order'd that the Secretary do prepare a Clause to be inserted in ~~all~~ the Letters to Correspondents (in whose Towns or Neighborhood there are Charity Schools) exhorting them to ~~visit~~ be frequent visiting of such Charity Schools, upon the Motion of Coll: Colchester.

) Agreed that ~~M^r~~ John Rogers Esqr of Blackford near Ivy bridge in Devonshire be a Lay-Correspondent for the s^d County upon the Motion of Mr Bromfield.

10) Agreed that Mr Meller be Chairman for the ensuing Month.

1) Mr Chamberlayne reported that he had waited on he ABp of Dublin abt numb. 1. in ye Minutes of 24. instant, & hat his Grace told him that he found the Lady (who intends give the sum of 50 or 60 lb to Charity Schools) more inclinable to make a Fund for one particular School than to Divide it amgst many.

2) Order'd that the Secretary do prepare a Draught of a Letter to Dr Talbot, in which he is to desire him to Draw up a small Treatise ~~containing in Substance~~ Directed to School-masters putting 'em in mind of the great Trust reposed in them with respect to the Christian Education of the Children under heir Care &c.

Sr J. Philips reported from the Comittee to whom it was referr'd to consider of a Poor's Box &c (vid. numb. 12. 24 Jan:) that hey had met accordingly & come to several Resolutions therein & had directed him to Report the same; the sd Resolutions were twice read & with some Amendments agreed to & are as follows:

I. That there be a Poors Box Provided & hung up in the Entry or Passage of Mr Shutes House, in Order to receive the Voluntary Charity of the Members of the Society, & that the Treasurer have the Custody of the said Box.

III. That the Money therein found be applied to the Releasing of Poor Prisoners that are detain'd for small Debts, or their Fees, for Binding out Poor Children Apprentices; or for the Relief of any other Necessitous Persons; with an especial Regard to those that are of Religious Dispositions.

II That the said Box be Open'd by the Treasurer in the presence of the Society, the first Meeting after Quarter-day.

III. That the Treasurer do from time to time deliver the said Money into the hands of Mr Gardiner, Mr Mitchel, & Mr Skeate, & they ~~who~~ are to be entirely entrusted with the distribution ~~of it, and Report it to the Society~~ of the same, and make a Report of it to the Society, for the purposes abovementioned; ~~and they to be accountable, for the same~~.

V. ~~[illegible]~~ That the Key of the said Box, be kept alternately by one of the abovesaid Gentlemen, from Quarterday to Quarterday.

VI. That all the abovementioned Resolutions be fairly Ingross'd, & hung up in a Table in the most Visible place of that Room where the Society usually meets; to which shall be Added in very large Capital Letters, To do Good, & to Distribute, Forget not; for with such Sacrifices God is well Pleased. Hebr 13.16.

A Letter was Read from Mr Colbron of Brighthelmston accepting the Correspondence, being proposed by Mr Shute.

A Letter was Read, from ~~Dr~~ Sr George Wheler, owning ye rect of the Packet sent him long ago, for which he thanks the Society & Approves their design of promoting Family Prayer. He also wishes for a Manual of Prayers to be extracted out of the Comonprayer. He hopes the Design of the Welsh Libraries will succeed. And for that reason he desires an Acct. of the Libraries Erected by Dr Bray, & of the Missionaries & Missions sent by him into the Plantations, the want of which, he says, makes some people cautious. A Phisition has given ground for the building a Charity School in their Neighbourhood, & the Rector of the Parish will endow it. There is also a Considerable School built at Sunderland by Dr Smith of Durham, & his well-disposed Parishioners.

Agreed that some of the Papers agst Plays be disperst at the Church Doors amongst the Persons of Quality.

7 February, 1705/6.

~~3470~~ **Present**, Mr Riddal, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Mr Palmer, Mr Freake, Sr John Philipps, Mr Fox, Dr Hare, Mr Edwards, Mr Meller, Mr Wyndham, Mr Stubs, Mr Skate a Correspondent

Sr J. Philipps in the Chair Mr Meller being absent.

(1.) Mr Shute Reported that Mr Manship says the Christian Monitor in Welsh is out of Print but that he will Reprint it if he finds encouragement.

(2.) Agreed that Mr Fox be Desired to speak to his Friend, to treat with Mr Manship for 500 Xtian Monitors in Welsh.

(3.) Agreed that 4 dozen of the A. B. of Dublin's late Sermon preached at St. Margts in Westmr. for the Charity School in that Parish, be bought.

(4.) Mr Skate Moved the Society that Mr Nelson's Paper agst. Plays be Pasted upon Pastboards & hung up in Publick houses in the City, ~~[illegible]~~ Outparts. And upon the Societies Request, undertook to see it done: And 500 more of those Papers were Orderd to be Deliverd to him.

(5.) The Secretary produced a Note for 10li being a Benefaction to this Society, for promoting Charity Schools, procured by Mr Middleton of Cuckfield a Corresponding Member.

(6.) Mr Skate Reported that upon the Great Benefaction to the Charity-School ~~in that~~ at White-Chapel, the Subscriptions were fallen almost to nothing; but that upon the late Choosing of Trustees, the Subscriptions are risen again to above 100li p ann.

(7.) The Society being informed & well assured, that notwithstanding her Majesties Order for Regulating of the Play~~ers~~Houses, and the Address of the House of Lords, to thank her Majesty for the same the Players do still go on to use Lewd & Profane Expressions upon the Stage, as can be proved, & also particularly appears from a Collection of such like Expressions which were heard to be pronounced Publickly upon the Stage, in the Play-house in the Hay-market Jan. 31. & Febr. 2. last

(8.) Agreed, that the Lords the Bishops, and others of the Reverend Clergy who are Members of this Society, be desired to lay open in their Sermons, the Intollerable Liberties & Corruption of the Stage, with the great Dishonor & Mischief that such Abuses must necessarily bring upon Religion & y nation; and that they be also desired to Influence other Clergy-men of their Acquaintance to do the like; Those especially, who are appointed to Preach before the Queen, or elsewhere, during the solemn time of Lent.

(9.) Order'd, that the Secretary do (in the Name of the Society) acquaint the Members aforesaid with these Minutes, and do likewise put into their Hands the several Letters & Papers that have been lately publish'd against the Stage.

(10.) Agreed that ~~a~~ two New Representations of the Corruptions of the Stage, since the Pretended Regulation, be drawn up: & that ~~Mr Nelson~~ & Mr Melmoth be desired to Compose the same.

(11.) Part of a Letter was read from Mr Middleton of Cuckfield to Mr Stubs, notifying his sending the books mentioned in the Minutes of 6. December 1705 — for the Welsh Libraries. Mr Stubs also owned the rect of those Books. Whereupon the Secretary was Order'd to return him the Thanks of the Society for this Benefaction to those Libraries, & for the 10li given by his friend to ye Charity Scho

(12.) Mr Fox Reported that Mr Wall will wave his Dedication to the Society, & turn the Matter of it into a Preface.

(13.) Mr Wyndham Reported that he had discoursed with Coll. Yeate about the Re-establishment of the ritie Schools at Bristol; and that the Coll was of opinion, that Mr Bedford might sollicit subscriptions forthwith: and at his, the Coll's Return to Bristol, that Design shall not want Encouragement.

4.) The Secretary produced a Draught of a Letter to Dr Talbot, which was Corrected, & Order'd to be sent.

5.) The Secretary produced a fair Copy of the Resolutions of the Society relating to the Poors Box which was farther Corrected, & He Order'd to write another Copy.

6.) Agreed, upon the Motion of Sr J. Philipps, that the Society do at the next Meeting, Consider of a proper Application to be made to Her Majesty, for the better Observation of Good Friday.

7.) A Letter was read from Mr Edwards of Embleton to Mr Shute; owning the receit of the Packet lately sent to him, & desiring a parcel of Books to be paid for.

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14 February, 1705/6.

Present Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary: (Mr Skate) Mr Fox, Mr Melmoth, Sr Rich. Bulkeley a Correspondent, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Edwards, Mr Newman a Correspondent, Mr Hoare,

Mr Meller in the Chair.

(1.) A Letter was read from Mr Turner of Mansells-home, giving directions how a parcel may be sent to him, which he shall receive thankfully. Mr Treasurer told ye Society that upon a like Direction, he had sent the parcel according to order.

(2.) The Secretary produced a Clause to be added to one of the General Letters, concerning ye frequent Visiting of Charity Schools in the Countrey: and 'twas refer'd to the Standing Committee.

(3.) Agreed that a ~~Book~~ Register be provided ~~for registring~~ wherein ~~an~~ the Acct. of the Distribution of the Money found in the Poors Box may be constantly Entred, And that this be Added to the former Resolutions.

(4.) Mr Skate Reported that many of the Papers against Play-houses are already hung up in Publick-houses, and that more will be hung up in others very suddenly and desiring 500 more of them; the Society Order'd them to be deliver'd to him accordingly.

(5.) Agreed, upon the Motion of Mr Melmoth, that a Copy of the same Paper against Plays be inserted into the Tradesmans Paper, printed by Mr Downing, whereby 4000 of them will be Printed & Dispersed with little Charge. And that there be an alteration made in the Title, vizt. instead of the words Serious Christians, it shall be thus Printed, such as ~~Frequent the Playhouse~~ Go to Plays. And farther, that in the Third Line of the same Paper, the Title run thus, Vol. XI. of his Sermons, &c. The farther Amendments were refer'd to the Standing Committee, as also the Publication of the Advertisement above-mentioned.

(6.) A Letter was read from Mr Bedford to Mr Wyndham, mentioning an enclosed Paper containing his thoughts concerning the Stage. The enclosed Paper was refer'd to the Standing Committee, who are to give their Opinion of it to the Society at next Meeting.

(7.) A Letter was read from Mr Gorden of ~~Hank~~ Haunby in Yorkshire to Mr Chamberlayne testifying that in his Parish there are many poor; and that the [illegible] Berkley does at

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own Charge pay for the Instruction of 8 poor Children. That his Lordship & the [illegible] have contributed toward the building of a Schoolhouse there. And four more of their Poor Chil-~~[illegible]~~dren are to be taught at the Charge of the Parishioners.

(8.) Upon the Motion of Mr Skeate the Secretary was Order'd to prepare a Clause ~~[illegible]~~ to be sent to the Correspondents, desiring to know what has been done within the last year, ~~in~~ for promoting Charity Schools, in their Neighbourhood.

(9.) Agreed that the Paper of Standing-Orders, be refer'd to the Consideration of the Standing Committee, in order to the Reprinting them, with the Additions.

(10.) Mr Fox Reported that he can have 500 Christian Monitors in Welsh, for 18d. a hundred, whereupon he was empowered to agree for as many as will come to 5 li.

(11.) Order'd that the Secretary do advertise all Members, particularly, of what they undertake to do for the Society.

(12.) Several Papers were read to the Society, containing divers Blasphemous & Scandalous Passages, which were heard spoken upon the Stage lately; were Order'd to be Copied, and Deliverd to the Bps & the rest of the Divines of the Society.

(13) Mr Melmoth produced a New Representation of the Corruptions of the Stage, which being read, was refer'd to the Standing Comittee.

(14) Order'd that the Resolutions relating to the Poors Box be Painted, & hung up.

(15) ~~A Letter was Read from Dr Talbott of Spofforth to Mr Newman, importing that some devout Persons were willing to Build a Chapel at their own Charges near the Place where the Spaw water is drunk, but want the Consent of Dr Ashton who is the Incumbent & desiring the Societies assistance therein.~~

21. February 1705/6.

Present Mr Meller, Sr John Philipps, Dr Bray, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary: Mr Shute, Mr Bromfield, [illegible] Dr Manningham, Mr Gardiner & Mr Skeate, Correspondents. Mr Trymmer, Dr Mare, ~~Mr Shute~~, Mr Richardson, Mr Fox, Coll: Colchester, Mr Wyndham Mr Thomas a Correspondent, Mr Hoare,

Mr Meller in the Chair.

(1.) The Secretary Reported that he had waited upon the Bps and most of the Clergy of the Society, and ~~[illegible]~~ that the parcels against the Plays are delivered according to Order.

(2.) The Secretary Reported that Dr Talbots Explanation of the Church Catechism presented to the Society has been lately putt into his Hands; & it being produced, Dr Manningham was desired to peruse it, and give the Society his Opinion of the same.

(3.) Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be desired to move His Grace the A-Bp of Canterbury to speak to her Majesty about the ~~[illegible]~~ better Observation of Good Friday.

(4.) Mr Skeate reported that the Lady Pritchard has lately presented 50 li to the Charity School at Whitechapel towards Clothing the Poor Children, &c.

(5.) Mr Gardiner ~~[illegible]~~ that he had been lately at Wisbich, where there is now a Charity-School about to be Erected, 30 li p ann being subscribed by Mr Bellamy the Minister, & some of the Parishi

The Ld. Bp. of Ely was Balloted for as a Residing Member of this Society, & Elected

Dr Manningham to desire his Attendance. 18

Mr Gardiner also Reported that at Banbury, the Subscription to the Charity-School ~~[illegible]~~ there amounts to 110li p ann.

) Mr Trymmer mov'd the Society that a Tract may be drawn up, recomending the Due Observance of the Lords day: which Motion was refer'd to the Standing Committee.

) Part of a Letter from Mr Bedford of Bristol to Mr Wyndham was read, giving power to add, alter, or Leave out any thing in his Papers; and offering to send a Sheet of Paper entituled *The Obstinacy of the Present Stage, notwithstanding the Late Endeavours for its Reformation*.

.) A Motion being made for printing the Welsh Proposals, and Leaving Blanks for the Names of such Receivers who shall not signify their Consent time enough: it was Adjourn'd to the next Meeting.

) The Amendments of the Comittee made to the Clause to be added to the General Letters for Visiting Charity-Schools in the Countrey, were produced; and with some farther Amendments were Agreed to; and Order'd to be inserted into the future Copies.

2.) Mr Downings Paper of Advertisments was produced, containing ~~Mr Nelsons Paper against~~ A.B. Tillotsons Judgment of Plays, inserted into it by Order of the Comittee.

13.) The Secretary produced a Clause or Form, for Writing to the Correspondents, to send up Accounts of what has been done as to Charity-Schools this last year, in their Parts. Which with an Amendment was Approv'd & Order'd to be sent.

14.) The Standing Orders of the Society, as Amended by the Committee were produced, Agreed to, and Order'd to be Printed.

15.) The Secretary was Order'd to write forthwith to Mr Shute, to putt the Bp. of St. Asaph in mind of his Sermon upon Restitution: his Lordship being said to be ~~about~~ going out of Town in a short Time.

16.) The Painting the Resolutions touching the Poors Box being Reported to be Chargeable: and a new Specimen upon Paper being Produced: 'Twas Order'd that another shall be written, and yet larger, upon Velom, and ~~fram'd~~ put into a Black Frame.

7.) A Letter was read from Mr Bull to Mr Nelson, shewing the good affection which the Lord Bp. of St. Davids beare to the Design of Erecting Libraries in Wales: That my Lord has subscribed 4li p Ann during his Life toward the Erecting a Charity-School in Carmarthenshire: And that the Mr Bull, has subscribed 20s. p ann during his Life to the same Design. And that notice shall be given of fit persons ~~[illegible]~~ of Brecknockshire & Cardiganshire to be invited to the Correspondence as soon as they can be pitch'd upon.

18) Another from Mr Bradley of York to Mr Shute, notifying the good Condition of the Charity-Schools in York; where now all the Girls are taken in as Lodgers and are upon the same foot with the Boys. That at a Public Meeting he preach'd a Sermon before the Lord Mayor &c. upon whose request it is Printed; and he empowers Mr Shute to distribute a dozen or two of 'em among the Members of the Society.

9.) Another from Mr Cotton Mathers of Boston in New-England to the Secretary: reciting divers particulars relating to the Reformation among 'em, & dispersing good Books: which Letter was refer'd to the Standing Committee.

(20.) A Letter from Mr Saml. Sandford of Presteigne, who writes that Mr Morgan who desired to be a Receiver for the Welsh Libraries is dead, and succeeded by him. That he is willing to be a Receiver. And propose's a ~~convenient~~ Room in his Church for the fixing one of the Libraries; Presteigne being the largest Town in the County. This Letter was referred to the Standing Committee.

(21.) Another from Mr Price of Wrexham, who is willing to be a Receiver for the Welsh Libraries.

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28 February 1705/6.

Present, Mr Brewster, Mr Shute, (Mr Brinsey of Lincoln a Correspondent,) Dr Hare, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr John Philipps, Mr Fox, (Mr Salmon a Correspondent,) (Mr Williams, a Correspondent,) Mr Shale & Mr Cardiner Correspondents, Mr Edwards, Mr Wyndham, Mr Richardson,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, Mr Nelson being absent,

(1.) Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be desired to ~~talk~~ discourse with the Author of the Post-Man, abo Printing A Bp. Tillotson's Judgment of Plays, in his paper.

(2.) Mr Shale Reported that the last Lords Day the Ld Bp. of Salisbury preach'd at White-chapel, upon which there was Collected £6.08.0d for the Charity School there.

(3.) Dr Harris was Elected a Residing Member of this Society, & Mr Shute to desire his Attendance.

(4.) Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

(5.) Mr Treasurer Reported that he ha's recd £5.00.00 from Sr Richard Bulkeley, being a Benefaction to the Society, to be laid out in Bibles.

(6.) Agreed, upon the Motion of Mr Edwards, that a Sum not exceeding 10lb be laid out in Ostervald's Catechisms, to be putt into the Packets to be sent to the Correspondents.

(7.) Agreed that a Parcel of Papers not exceeding 20s in value, be sent to Dr Mapletoft at his Requ

(8.) ~~Agreed~~ A Letter was read from Mr Bedford to Mr Wyndham, relating to his Acct. of the [illegible] of the Players & both were referr'd to the Standing Committee.

(9.) Mr Shute reported from Mr Gardiner, that he ha's been at Ware, where he find's the Societies Houses are Tenan but very much out of Repair: whereupon Mr Edwards, Mr Bulstrode & Dr Hare or any one of them, was desired to confer with Mr Gardiner about the best way to be taken with them.

(10.) Order'd that the Secretary ~~wait~~ do wait on the Lord Bp. of Ely with the Subscription-book of the Society, & the Standing Orders; that his Lordship may enter his Subscription.

(11.) Sr John Philipps Reported that the Comittee was of Opinion that Mr Nelson should be desire to draw up a Tract about the due observation of the Lord's day: & the Secretary was Order to signifie this to him.

(12.) Agreed that the Welsh Proposals be forthwith Printed with the names of such Gentlemen as have already signified their Assent to be Receivers: with a Note at the End, that the na of other Gentlemen will be added.

(13.) A Letter was read from Mr Lewis of Margam desiring that his name may not be Printed as a Receiver for the Welsh Libraries.

(14.) Another from Mr Vaughan of Derllys to Mr Shute was Read, importing, that he did dispose of the Parcel last sent to him, as he thought would be for the best: that he ha's [illegible] written to the Ld Bp. of St Davids & to Mr Lewis of Margam (both whom had part of the parcel abovementioned,) to further the Design of the Welsh Libraries, and desires that the Society would back his Letters to them. He intends also to wri to Mr Jones of Llanvairs upon the same Subject. That several Gentlemen in Carmarthenshire at the last arter Sessions did Subscribe 40s. a piece to this Design, that they intend to make Application throug all the County, & have nominated Mr John Philips of Carmarthen their Receiver, whom he desires may be printed as such in the Proposals. He Propose's Sr Sackvile Crow for a Corresponding Member. He desire's that the 39 Articles may be added to the Welsh Commonprayer book, which with this Additi will go off the better, Mr Meyrick of Carmarthen having promised to buy 10li worth of them, & to be a good benefactor to the Welsh Libraries, for which reason Mr Vaughan desire's to know the present State of that Affair, in order to apprise Mr Meyrick of it. He hopes for the Reprinting the Book of Homilies. He Desire's to know what has been done as to those Gentlemen residing in Town & having Estates in South Wales; And say's that there are several hundreds of Christian Monitors in Welsh to be sold at Mr Nathaniel Morgan's in Carmarthen.

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7 March, 1705/6.

Present, Sir John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Ernle, Mr Fox, the Secretary: Mr Meller, Mr Sturmy a Correspondent, Mr Wyndham (Mr Williams a Correspondent,) Coll Colchester, Mr Hoare, Mr Richardson, Mr Nelson, (Mr Newman a Correspondent,)

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, Mr Chamberlayne being absent

(1.) Mr Chamberlayne to be putt in Mind, of Min. 3. in 21 February.

~~(2.) The Standing Orders, were Order'd to the Press, in pursuance of Min. 14.~~

(2.) Order'd that the Secretary do Extract the Comon Orders or Rules of the Society, from the Journal & lay them before the Standing Comittee, & they to make a Report to the Society, if any of them be thought proper to be Inserted into the Standing Orders.

(3.) Mr Shute to be put in Mind of the 15 Min. of 21. Febr.

(4.) ~~The Secretary Reports, in pursuance of an Order of the Standing Comittee, that Mr [illegible] has the Character of a good Man in the Country where he lives.~~

(5.) The Society leave's it to Mr Chamberlayne to agree with the Author of the Post Man, for Advertising A.B. Tillotsons Judgemt. of Plays, inserted into his Papers.

(6.) A Proposal for ~~Erecting~~ Building a Chapel for the Convenience & Instruction of the Poor, ~~being~~ being ~~Ordered~~ Agreed by the Standing Comittee to be laid before the Society; was Produced, & Order'd to be Read at a Fuller Meeting.

~~7.) A Written Paper of Dr Manningham containing his Opinion of Dr Talbotts Catechism, was Produced, the Consideration whereof~~ (the whole Matter Dropt.)

(7.) Agreed that a Parcel of Books be deliverd to Mr Hoare, after the 80 Parcels be made up.

(8.) Agreed that Mr Treasurer do lay a List of the Books remaining after the 80 Parcels be made up, before the Society.

(9.) Order'd that 6 of Mr Walls Abridgemt. of his Hist. Infant Baptism, be putt into all the Parcells.

(10.) Agreed that Mr Wyndham be desired to treat with Mr Whitledge about Printing the Comon Prayer Book in Welsh, together with the 39 Articles.

(11.) Letters were Read from Mr Jorden of Newland, Mr Sturges of Shilton, & Mr Bromfield of Wotton-under-Edge, all accepting the Correspondence. Mr Bromfield also certifies that in his Town, 26 poor Children are taught to read: the Masters Salary is 10li p ann. And 6 are taught to write for 5li p. ann. And in the Free school there, the Parents of 7 poor Boys receive 4li p ann, as long as their Children go there.

(12.) Others from Mr Jones of Pembroke & Mr Harrison of Stanton, who are willing to be Receivers for the Welsh Libraries.

(13.) Part of another from Mr Bower, who say's Mr Barnsley of Colmscomb & others have set up [illegible] Schoo at Battle in Sussex.

14 March
4 1705. } Present Sir John Phillipps Mr Nelson Mr Wyndham Mr Chamberlayne Coll Colchester Mr Broomfield Mr Shute Mr Edwards Mr Shuts, Dr Slare,

1. Agreed Mr Tr. to lay out Sr Rich. Bulkeley's 5li in Bibles for ye purpose it was given.

2 Agreed Mr Gardner be reminded of the matter of the No. 9. of 28 ffeb last.

3. Ordered the Secretary to wait on the Ld Bp of Ely for receive the money Subscribed at his Admission

4. Agreed that the Trustees & Receivers named in the Welsh Proposals ~~shall~~ have a quarter of an Hundred each sent them wth Notice that they may have more of them when desired

5 Agreed there be half a Dozen of the Welsh proposals added to the Packetts yet remaining to be sent & the like number of the Second Letter (Printed) to the Correspondts.

6. A Letter being Read from Mr Bedford to Mr Shute wherein was inclosed a specimen of a Large Book by him wrote agt the Abuses of the ~~English~~ Stage Agreed the Society will disburse 7 Guineas in buying as many of the Copys of the sd Books as the sd Summe will allow of for ~~An~~ An Encourageing the Printing the sd Book

10. A Letter from Mr Henry Rogers to ye Secretary was read accepting the Correspondence wch Mr Broomfield brought hither & a Benefaction of three Guineas wch was pd to ye Tr. Ordered Mr Broomfield give the Thanks of ye Soc. to the sd Mr Rogers.

11. A Letter was read from Mr Wheeler to Mr Shute dated 9th March 1705. Agreed Mr Chamberlaine speake to Mr Dean of Exeter abt ~~[illegible] making a [illegible] [illegible] the Society [illegible]~~ encourag-ing the Designes of this Society at Exeter & acquainting him wth our Correspondents there.

12. Mr Shute acquainted [Paul & Cyprian Appia] the Society that two Vodois Correspondent Members of this Society having been some time ~~Educated~~ in one of the Universities & taken Holy Orders are now going into their own County. Agreed that Dr Whitby's Annotations & AB. Tillotson's Sermons vol. that were published in his Life Time be presented to the sd Gentlemen as a Testimony of the Respect of this Society.

13. ~~On the~~ ~~Agreed~~ A motion was made that ~~ye~~ the Bp of Worcester Dr Mannyngham Mr Hoar Mr Ram Mr Sandeyland & Mr Jordan may have some of the Books Remaining after the 80 Packetts shall ~~all~~ be sent all away. Agreed the sd motion be Considered when the Tr shall lay the List of the Remaining Books before the Society.

(14) A Letter was read from Mr Bales of New Castle upon Tine to Mr ~~Shute~~ Bridges, certifying that 34 poor Children are taken into the Charity school in his Parish, and that the Master has liberty to take in 10 more for his Advantage. That Sr Will. Blackett (of whose Charity during his Life, Mr Bales has delivered many hundreds of Pounds;) at his Decease left 1000l, for providing a Freeschool at St Andr for the Relief of Poor Householders, to Bind Poor Boys Apprentices, or putt 'em to Sea. That Mrs All has settled in the Hands of Trustees a Dean & Chapter Lease above 80l p annm value for 2 Schools, on for Boys, the other for Girls. This Charity to Commence at her Death, who is now 80 years of Ag

(15) 376 ~~378~~ A Letter from Mr Wheler of Glocester to Mr Thele, certifying that at Exeter a Society (wherein are some Dissenters) is Erecting; and which he thinks, will in time, desire a Correspondence with this. That in Glocester the Meetings of their Society are interrupted, thro' some late Disgusts, &c.

(16.) Other Letters ~~were Read~~ to the Secretary viz.

From Mr Welshman of Lapworth, who owns the Rect. of the last Pacquet sent to him who believes little can be done for the Welch Libraries, the Erection of Libraries at Warwick & at Aulcester draining all their Charity. Recommends Mr Loveling Minister of Banbury for a Correspond.t & thinks a Pacquet may well be sent to Sr John Burgoighe at Wroxhall with good Effect.

(17) Another from Mr Lewis of Margam, who recomends Mr Wyndham for a Receiver for the Welch Libraries.

(18) Another from Dr Davies who gives his Carriers Direction.

(19) Another from Mr Bellamy of Wisbeech accepting the Correspondence; & ~~certi~~ notifying the Erection of a Charity-School there, to which he procured 35 l. p ann to be subscribed in less than an hour.

(20) Another from Mr Griffith of White-waltham, certifying that at New Windsor there are or will be schools sett up for 70 poor children. That at Old Windsor, Clewar, Sunning-hill, Winkfield, Warfield, Whitewaltham, Hurst, Sunning, & Wargrave in Berkshire, at Shiplake in Oxfordshire, and at Silchester in Hantshire, 150 poor Children are taught to read, Cipher & their Catechism. so that in all, the schools above mentioned, 220 Children are Educated. In his Parish the Schoolmaster & Mistress teach 20 poor Children Gratis; but would not have any acct. of it published, for reasons. At Warfield & Hurst they have monthly Comunions, & apply the Offerings to the Education of Poor Children. At Whitewaltham, they have Monthly Comunions, & have provided Whole Duties of Man for all their Poor Families; and out of the Comon Stock of their Society have bought 300 Comon Prayers & near 100 Bibles.

(21) Another from Mr Wheler of Gloucester notifying his Carriers direction.

~~Another from Mr Rogers of Colchford accepting the Correspondence.~~

(22) Another from Mr Craggs of Hitching notifying his Carriers Direction, & that they having a Free-School very well endowed for Reading, Writing ~~&~~ Acct.s & 2 Gramar Schools have little need of a Charity-School there.

(23) Another from Mr Clarke of Nottingham, certifying that once, 40 poor Children were taught in his Parish, but afterwards the Subscriptions failed, & he left a great Loser by it. That there is a Partition made for teaching 12 poor Children, promiscuously at divers petty Schools.

(24) Another from Mr Gilbert of Locko, shewing his Carriers Direction, like the rest, and that at the next Assizes he will enquire among the Grand Jury (who come from all parts of the County) about the State of Charity Schools, & send up the Result.

(25) Another from Mr Maplestoft of Huntingdon, who cannot as yet procure the Erection of a Charity School there, tho' he pays for the teaching of some poor Children out of his own Purse.

(26) Another from Mr A. D. Frank, who has apprised Mr Smith of Great Paxton of the South Benefaction to ~~his~~ the School in his Parish. & Certifies that Mr Duncomb of Broughton in Buckin hamshire is making some small Provision for a School in his Little Parish; and that Mr Ell of Gonaldston is not dead, as was reported.

(27) Mr Shute Reported that the Bp. of Sarum preached at St. Olaves the 3d Instant, whereupon above 6 li. was Collected. They have a Present of 14 li.; the Children are Clothed, and the Subscriptions are risen to 60 li. p ann

Also, that at Banbury, the Subscriptions are advanced to 10£ p. ann, & that they have Chosen Trustees.

Also that at Shoreditch, the Subscriptions come to 120£, & 50 Boys are clothed. ~~3 4 9~~

Also, that he has recd from Mr Lam, an acct. of the Charity Schools in Dublin, with their Orders & Rules.

Mr Gardiner Reported, that at New Castle upon Tine, a Charity School is Opend for Boys, & 34 are taken in. That a late Member of Parlt. has bequeathed 1000£ for Erecting a School in the same Town; and a Gentlewoman has settled 80£ p. ann for 2 Schools more in the same Town.

2) Also, that at ~~[illegible]~~ Ripley in Yorkshire, (Mrs Mary Ingoldesby) a young Lady has given 1000£ out of her fortune, for the Erection & Maintainance of a Charity School there.

33) Also that at St. Sepulchers in Middlesex, the Subscriptions are advanced to 50£ p. ann

34) Also that the Ld. A. B. of Canterbury's Lady has begun a School for Girls in Lambeth-Parish, & has taken in 12 Children, whom she is about to Cloathe.

35) Also, that the last Sunday, Dr King preached an Evening Sermon for the Girls Schools at St. Sepulchers, whereupon about 10£ was Collected; whereof Dr Burnett Master of the Charterhouse gave ~~about~~ 5 Guineas.

21. March, 1705/6.

Present, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Sir John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, the Lord Bp. of Chester, Mr Stubs, Mr Nelson Mr Fox, Col. Colchester. Mr Wyndham, Dr Stars, Mr Newman a Correspondent,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair,

(1.) Sir John Philipps acquainting the Society that his Grace the Lord A. B. of Canterbury had been told that this Society does use Words in their Minutes, which do savour too much of Authority, and particularly in those Minutes of Febr. 7. last, relating to the Play-houses: whereupon the Society Agreed that a Copy of those Minutes shall be written, and laid before his Grace the Arch-Bishop: and Mr Chamberlayne undertook to attend his Grace with the same, in Case his Grace shall not receive satisfaction otherwise.

(2.) The Society Agreed that for the Future, the word Resolved, as also the word Ordered, (unless when meant of the Societies Servants) shall not ~~for the future~~ be used in their ~~the Societies~~ Minutes.

(3.) ~~Mr Shute R. That~~ The Consideration of the Proposal mentioned in the 6 Minute, of the 7 of March; to be considered when Dr Manningham is present.

(4.) Fifty of Mr Walls Abridgmts. were Agreed to be deliverd to ~~Mr Wall~~ Mr Fox, for the use of Mr Wall.

(5.) Agreed that the great Book of Accts. be brought to the Comittee, and to the next Meeting of the Society.

(6.) Mr Melmoths new Representation agt. the Play-houses, being Agreed by the Comittee to be laid before the Society, was Read; and agreed to be Adjourn'd till Mr Chamberlayne does make a Report from his Grace the A. B. of Canterbury, as to the first of this days Minutes.

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~~Another from Mr Rogers of Blatchford accepting the Correspondence.~~

(22) Another from Mr Draggs of Hitching notifying his Carriers Direction, & that they having a Free-School very well endowed for Reading, Writing & Accts. & 2 Gramar Scho have little need of a Charity-School there.

(23) Another from Mr Clarke of Nottingham, certifying that once 40 poor Children were taught in his Parish, but afterwards the Subscriptions failed, & he left a great Loser by it. Tha there is a Provision made for teaching 12 poor Children, promiscuously at divers petty Schools.

(24) Another from Mr Gilbert of Locko, shewing his Carriers Direction, like the rest; and that at the next Assizes he will enquire among the Grand Jury (who come from all Parts of the County) about the State of Charity Schools, & send up the Result.

(25) Another from Mr Mapletoft of Huntingdon, who cannot as yet procure the Erection of a Charity School there, tho' he pays for the teaching of some poor Children out of his own Purse.

(26) Another from Mr A. D. Frank, who has apprised Mr Smith of Great Paxton of the Societ Benefaction to ~~his~~ the School in his Parish. & Certifies that Mr Buncomb of Broughton in Buckin hamshire is making some small Provision for a School in his little Parish; and that Mr Ell of Gonalston is not dead, as was reported.

(27) Mr Shute Reported that the Bp. of Sarz preached at St. Olaves the 3d Instant, whereupon above 6li was Collected. They have a Present of 14li; the Children are Clothed, and the Subscriptions are risen to 60li p annm

Also, that at Banbury, the Subscriptions are advanced to 120ll p anm, & that they have Chosen Trustees.

Also that at Shoreditch, the Subscriptions come to 120ll, & 50 Boys are clothed. ~~3-4-9~~

Also, that he has recd from Mr Dam an acct of the Charity Schools in Dublin, with their Orders & Rules.

Mr Gardiner Reported, that at New Castle upon Tine, a Charity School is Open'd for Boys, & 34 are taken in. That a late Member of Parlt has bequeathed 1000ll for Erecting a School in the same Town; and a Gentlewoman has settled 80ll p anm for 2 Schools more in the same Town.

2) Also, that at ~~[illegible]~~ Ripley in Yorkshire, (Mrs Mary Ingoldesby) a young Lady has given 1000ll out of her fortune, for the Erection & Maintainance of a Charity School there.

33) Also that at St Sepulchers in Middlesex the Subscriptions are advanced to 50ll p anm

34) Also that the Ld A.B. of Canterburies Lady has begun a School for Girls in Lambeth-Parish, & has taken in 12 Children, whom she is about to Cloathe.

35) Also, that the last Sunday, Dr King preached an Evening Sermon for the Girls Schools at St Sepulchers, whereupon about 10ll was Collected; whereof Dr Burnett Master of the Charterhouse gave ~~about~~ 5 Guineas.

21. March. 1705/6.

Present, Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, Mr Mellor, Sir John Philipps, Mr Chamberlayne, The Lord Bp. of Chester, Mr Shibs, Mr Nelson, Mr Fox, Coll. Colchester. Mr Wyndham, Dr Slare, Mr Newman a Correspondent,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair,

(1.) Sir John Philipps acquainting the Society that his Grace the Lord A.B. of Canterbury had been told that this Society does use Words in their Minutes, which do savour too much of Authority, and particularly in those Minutes of Febr. 7. last, relating to the Play-houses: whereupon the Society Agreed that a Copy of those Minutes shall be written, and laid before his Grace the Arch-Bishop: and Mr Chamberlayne undertook to attend his Grace with the same, in case his Grace shall not receive satisfaction otherwise.

(2.) The Society Agreed that for the Future, the word Resolved, as also the word Ordered, (unless when meant of the Societies Servants) shall not ~~for the future~~ be used in their ~~the Societies~~ Minutes.

(3.) ~~Mr Shute R. That~~ The Consideration of the Proposal mentioned in the 6 Minute, of the 7 of March; to be considered when Dr Manningham is present.

(4.) Fifty of Mr Walls Abridgemts were Agreed to be deliverd to ~~Mr Wall~~ Mr Fox, for the use of Mr Wall.

(5.) Agreed that the great Book of Accts be brought to the Comittee, and to the next Meeting of the Society.

(6.) Mr Melmoths new Representation agt the Play-houses, being Agreed by the Comittee to be laid before the Society, was Read; and agreed to be Adjourn'd till Mr Chamberlayne does make a Report from his Grace the A.B. of Canterbury as to the first of this days Minutes.

28 March, 1706.

Preſent, Mr Woodcock, Mr Nelson, Mr Fox, Mr Andrews, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Meller, Mr Hoare, Dr Manningham, Mr Skeate ~~&~~ Mr Gardiner, Mr Shute, Mr Melmoth, Mr Newman a Correspondent,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair,

(1.) Agreed that Mr Treasurer be put in mind of Min. 1, 4, 5, 13, 15 of 14th Inst.

(2) Agreed that a Common Packet be sent to ~~Sr John Burgoign~~ Mr Welshman of Lapworth, who may give it to Sr John Burgoign.

~~(3) Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Lewis of Margam to nominate yet another Gentleman to be a Receiver for the Welsh Libraries, in Glamorganshire.~~

(3) Mr Wyndham Related, that Mr Edward Jenkyns Clerke of the Peace of the County of Glamorgan, does assent to be a Receiver for that County.

(4) Order'd that the Secretary do write to Mr Griffyth of Whitewaltham to send a more particular Acct. of the Schools mention'd in the 20th Minute of the 14th Instant.

(5) Order'd that Mr Clarke of Nottingham, be desired to send a farther acct. of those Poor Children, who are taught promiscuously, in divers schools there.

(6.) Agreed that Mr Woodcock be Chairman for the Ensuing Month.

(7.) Agreed that Minute III in January 31 last, be amended with the Addition of these Words, For Binding out Poor Children Apprentices: --

(8.) A Motion was made for Enquiring how the Books lodged with Mr Thorold of Rotterdam have been dispos'd of. Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, & Mr Hoare were desired to confer with Mr Hoare & Mr Thorold about this matter, & to make a Report as soon as they can.

(9.) A Letter was read from Dr Jones Dean of Bangor ~~importing~~ signifying his Consent to be a Receiver for the Welsh Libraries.

(10.) The Poors Box being open'd 5.3.7¾ was found therein, & deliver'd to Mr Gardiner, & Mr Skeate.

4 April. 1706.

Preſent, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Andrews, Mr Shute Mr Fox the Secretary, Sir John Philipps, Coll. Colchester, Mr Edwards, Mr Nelson, Mr Trollope, Mr Hoare,

in the Chair, Mr Woodcock being absent,

(1.) The 6 min. of 7 March to be consider'd when Dr Manningham is present.

(2.) The 6. min. of 21 March to be consider'd when Mr Chamberlayne makes a Report from his Grace the A.B. of Canterbury.

(3.) Mr Fox related that being lately at the Examination of the Poor Children of St Sepulchres Pari there were several young persons present who had been placed out by the Trustees, who read & an as the rest: and moved that this might be represented to the Correspondent Members for schools, in order t whether this method may not bee improved, & received in other places.

(4) Mr De la Mothe was Elected a Residing Member of this Society, and Mr Chamberlayne to d his Attendance.

Mr Treasurer reported, that upon a Letter of ye Ld. Bp. Chichesters, he had sent a parcel of Books & Papers to his Grandson, as then going to Sea, which the Society allowed. ~~[illegible]~~

(6.) Mr Treasurer moved the Society that his Acct may be Audited, ~~this~~ to which the Society Agreed; and that this be done this day Sennight at two a clock, that all Gentlemen now present be ~~then~~ desired to be there present, together with Mr Hoare & Mr Hodges; that 3 be a Comittee, and ~~all~~ that come to have voices.

(7.) Agreed that a parcel of Books & Papers ~~[illegible]~~ not exceeding 10l. in value, be disposed of by Mr Treasurer. ~~(to Mr Allen,~~ in Archester near Wellingborow in Northamptonshire.

(8.) Agreed that Coll. Colchester & Mr Nelson & Mr Wyndham be desired to attend his Grace the Ld. A.Bp. of Canterbury in Order to give his Grace Satisfaction as to the 7th. 8th. & 9th Minutes of the 7th. of February: and that the Secretary do then attend them with the Journal.

(9.) Agreed, upon the Motion of Mr Fox, that some of Mr Walls Abridgmt be sent to such Correspondents as have written for some Tracts agt the Anabaptists.

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. 11 April: 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Mr Seaman, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr John Philipps, Mr Wyndham, Mr Andrews, Mr Trollope, Mr Jenner, Dr Manningham, Mr De la Mothe.

Mr Jenner — in the Chair, Mr Woodcock being absent.

(1.) The Packet to be sent to Mr Welshman according to Min. 2. of 28. March.

(2.) Min. 8. of 28 March to be revised when Dr Manningham, Mr Shute, or Mr Hoare be present.

(3.) It being observed that it generally grows late before there is a Quorum, to go upon Business: Agreed that the 3, 4, & 5 Minutes of 30 March - 1704, be read at the next 4 Meetings, & as Often afterwards as the Chairman shall think fit, and that notice be given to the Absent Members of the same.

(4.) Mr Chamberlayne Reported that the Comittee for Auditing Mr Treasurers Accts had mett, and made some Progress therein; & that upon the Motion of Mr Shute, for three Gentlemen to finish the same, Mr Seaman, Mr Andrews, & Mr Trollope did (with the Societies Consent) withdraw imediately for that Purpose.

(5.) Mr Wyndham Reported that Coll. Colchester, Mr Nelson & Himself had waited on the Ld. A.B. of Canterbury, and had satisfied his Grace, that this Society did not use those words of Authority in the 7th & 8th. Minutes of the 7 February, as had been Reported to his Grace.

(6.) Mr Chamberlayne Reported that the Lord Bp. of Worcester had waited upon her Majesty with the Evidence against the Players, mentioned in Min. 7 of the 7th. of February, and had left the same with Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty took notice of a ~~who was pleased to speak of a late false~~ Report, as if she had given 1000l towards building the Playhouse in the Haymarket, ~~whereas she~~ and declared she never gave any thing towards it; and ~~that she~~ desired his Lordship to mention this as he should think fit.

) Agreed that the 2 forgoing Minutes be read at the Six next Meetings.

(6.) 380. Mr Seaman Reported that ~~that~~ he with Mr Andrews & Mr Trolope had went over the Treasurers Accts which they had found exact so far as they had gone ~~saving [illegible] which he had mistaken to his own self~~.

3 That he had Left a Blank for some small Incidental Charges, as Postage of Letters, &c whereupon the Society agreed that 40s. should be allowed Mr Treasurer for that Article.

Agreed that Mr Treasurer have the Thanks of the Society for his great Care & Pains taken in their Business.

Agreed that one Guinea be given to the Societies Messenger, as a Gratuity for his extraordinary Labor & Trouble about sending the Societies Parcells of Books into the Country.

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18 April .1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Fox, Mr Meller, Mr Edwards, Sr John Philipps, Mr Stubs, Mr Jenner, Mr De la Mottie, Dr Manningham, Dr Slare,

Mr Meller in the Chair, Mr Woodcock being absent.

(1.) The 6 Min. of the 7 March to be Consider'd when Dr Manningham is present.

(2.) Mr Shute moving the Society that the Committee appointed to Audit his Accounts, be Revived; the Society agreed to it, that the Gentlemen here present be added to ~~them~~ it, and that they or any 3 of them do Proceed to Perfect the same, after this Meeting is over.

(3) Agreed that the State of this Society, with Regard to the Office of Treasurer, be Referr'd to the Standing Committee.

(4.) Letters were Read from Mr Bennett of Colchester, & Mr A. D. Rogers of Leicester to Mr Shute; both owning the Receipt of the last Parcels.

(5.) Another from Mr Pearks of Worcester to Mr Shute, containing some farther particulars relating to the Charity-Schools in Worcester; which particulars Mr Edwards observed. He W. Lib recomends also Mr Portman of Maddersfield for a Correspondent. And certifie's that he ha's sent up 13l. for the Welsh Libraries.

(6.) Sr John Philipps read part of a Letter from Mr Vaughan of Derllyss, who certifies that W. Lib divers Gentlemen have subscribed towards the Welsh Libraries.

(7.) Order'd that the Secretary do Putt the Proposal for Erecting a Chappel for the Use of the Poor, into the Hands of Dr Manningham.

(8.) Mr Chamberlayne Reported that Mr Twittie an Officer in the Exchequer, ha's bequeathed 500ll to the Grey Coat Hospital, & 500l to the Green Coat Hospital, both in St Margarets Parish in Westminster.

(9) Mr Fox Reported from Mr Hoare that he had spoken with Mr Hare the Chaplain General of the Army, who is willing to disperse the remaining part of the books in Mr Thorolds Possession, among Her Majesties Soldiers, if he will send them from Rotterdam to the Army: and Mr Stubs undertook to Speak to Mr Thorold about this matter.

(10.) Letters were Read from Dr Todd of Penrith, Mr Jolins of Stroud, Mr Edwards of Embledon & Mr Ellison of New-Castle upon Tine all owning the Receipt of the Parcels formerly sent them. Mr Ellison also relates some particulars about the Bequests of Sr William Blacket & Mrs Allen mentioned in other Letters: and also says an unknown Benefactor ha's in his Life time Founded a Charity-School within the Parochial Chapel of St. Johns.

(11.) Many other Letters were read from Corresponding Members, notifying their Carriers Direction which he farther Intimated,

(12.) By Mr Turner of Stamford, that the poor Children there, are not Clothed, as is specified in ye Printed Acct. of Schools.

(13.) By Mr Dorrington of Wittresham, that they are forming a Design for a Charity School near him: of which he will send an acct. when it's compleated. & he has a Prospect of setting up another in His Parish.

(14.) By Mr Deffray of New Romney, that 12li is subscribed towards a School at Lidd: where the Teacher will instruct the Children also of those who Pay for it.

(15.) By Mr Love of Yarmouth; that there is an Hospital of an antient Foundation, for 50 Children of both Sexes, who are decently maintained, & Religiously Educated. He hopes to make this more useful by adding to it 20 Boys & 20 girls. ~~more~~.

(16.) Mr Whitehand of Shipton-mallet, says the Society's Gift is very much wanted there, where there are about 5000 Souls, & generally very poor.

(17.) By Mr Peploe of Preston, who promises to send up shortly, an acct. of the State of the Charity school there.

(18.) Canon Gilbert of Plymouth, ~~that~~ he knows of no Charity School in those parts.

(19.) By Mr Ollyffe of Dunton, that Sr Roger Hill has Erected a Ch. School at Wendover for 10 years; ~~for~~ which Term he has setled 20li p ann upon the Schoolmaster, who must teach 20 Children to read, write, & Cypher. ~~gratis~~ And hopes we shall ere long have a fuller acct. of this Matter.

(20.) Two Letters were Read from Dr Talbott of Spofforth, who will proceed in the drawing up ~~the~~ the Schoolmasters Duty, tho' he has been Hindred by some late Contests with the Papists who are very busy in His Parish. And that he has represented to His Grace the Duke of Somerset the necessity of setting up a Free-School there, for the Education of the Children of His poorer Tenants. The Secretary was Orderd to certifie the Doctor that a Book printed at Edinburgh Entituled The Just Measures of the Pious Institution of Youth, may perhaps upon perusal, afford some useful Hints, relating to the Schoolmasters Duty.

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25 April . 1706.

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Shute, Mr Jenner, Mr Edwards, Mr Fox, Mr Brewster, Mr De la Motte, Mr Wyndham, Mr Nelson, Mr Chamberlayne, Dr Manningham,

Mr Jenner in the Chair, Mr Woodcock being absent.

(1.) Agreed that Mr Jenner be Chairman for the Month Ensuing.

(2.) Agreed that a quarter of a hundred of Mr Wells Abridgments be sent to Mr Bradshaw of Namptwich, & a ~~[illegible]~~ dozen to Mr Sandylands at Reading.

(3.) Agreed that half an hundred of the same books be given to Mr Fox to distribute where he shall think it proper.

(4.) A Letter was Read from Mr Lloyd at Cardigan to Mr Wyndham, certifying

WL ~~3 & 4~~ Clergymen, viz. Mr Owen Evans of Llangoedmor, & Mr Howell Penry of Llanvilangi
are willing to be Receivers for the Welsh Libraries

(5.) Agreed that 50 Christian Monitors in Welsh, & 50 of A.B. Tillotsons Perswasive to Frequent Communion in Welsh, be put into each of the Great Parcels, that are to be sent into Wales.

(6.) Mr Skate Reported that Mr Cole ~~the Minister~~ of Twittenham, lately deceased, has bequeathed 100li to the Charity School there.

(7.) He also Presented a Copy of the Orders of the Charity School at Banbury, which was Read (he has it back.)

(8.) ~~The Comittee~~ A proposal Agreed upon at the Standing Comittee, was made to the Society, for buying a number of Mr Clarkes Whole Duty of a Christian, which may be bought for 3d a piece stitched. Whereupon, the Society ~~agreed~~ desired Mr Fox to tr with~~out~~ the Bookseller, about a parcel to be bought, bound.

(9.) A Letter was read from Mr Gibson of Welbourne to Mr Shute, owning the Receit of the Great Parcel lately sent to him. ~~And Certifying him~~

(10.) Agreed that no Copies of the Minutes of this Society be sent to any of the Corresponding Members, without leave of the Society.

(11.) Mr Shute also produced Letters from Mr Killingbeck of Leeds, Mr Wheeler of Glocester, & Mr Keith; all owning the Receipt of the last Great Parcels.

(12.) Agreed that Mr Treasurer Shute be desired to Receive & Pay away the Societie's Money: and that Mr Fox be desired to buy all Books & Papers for the Society: and the Secretary was Order'd to Superscribe all Par & to direct their Making up, & sending Away.

(13.) The 13 Min. of the 14 of March, to be Revived at next Meeting.

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2 May. 1706.

Present. Mr Shute. Mr Palmer. Dr Slare, Mr Nelson the Secretary; Mr Palm Mr Jenner Dr. Woodward a Correspondent, [illegible]r. John Philipps, Mr Brewster, Mr Fox, Mr Edwards, Mr Chamberlayne,

Mr Jenner in the Chair

(1.) Agreed that the perfecting the Audit of Mr Treasurers Accompts, be Referd to ye Standing Committee.

(2.) Orderd that the Secretary do putt Mr Stubs in mind of Speaking to Mr Thorold abt the Societies Gift of Books to the English Soldiers in Holland,

(3.) Mr Fox made a Motion for publishing an Acct. of the Times of Examining the Poor Childr taught in the Charity Schools, and for Stating the same; which was Referd to the Standing Committee; And Mr Skate, &c. are to be desired to Assist at that Comittee.

(4.) Mr Palmer Reported that Mr Wm Petit Keeper of the Records in the Tower has given 200li for the Erecting a School-house & a Vestry-Room at Chelsea.

(5.) A Letter was Read from Mr Pearkes of Worcester to Mr Shute, owning the Receit of the Gr [illegible] and certifying that the 13li formerly mentioned to be remitted up for the Welsh [illegible], was paid to Mr Gerrard. And Mr Treasurer was desired to confer with Mr Gerard about it. ~~3 8 7~~

(6.) Mr Fox Reported that he has conferd with Bookseller, who will sell Mr Clark's Essays at 3d a piece: Whereupon the Society desired Mr Fox to buy 500 of them, & to cause them to be bound, since 'twill cost but 2d a piece more.

(7.) Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be desired to Comunicate the Societies Minutes to Mr Gibson of Welbourne.

(8.) Mr Brewster Reported, That the Great Packet was all Distributed before he left the Countrey, except 3 or 4 books. That he found a great advantage in having so great a Number of Books to gratify the Request of all ~~sorts of~~ Persons; since several who were strangers to him before, came to his House to beg Books. That He Engaged all Persons to whom he gave them, to make a good use of them, which they promised to do; and several also promised to fitt themselves for Receiving the Blessed Sacrament. That He gave none away without previous discourse & Exhortations, and particular Enquiry as to the Circumstances of their Condition, & Disposition to Religion; & heard them Read before he gave them Books. That He gave the Bibles to the poorest persons. That He gave the Common Prayers to such Persons as promis'd to use them at Church: and most of them to very poor people. He gave the Treatises agt. the Anabaptists to Mr Bennet of Colchester, who can dispose of em to advantage, for there are none in Mr Brewsters Neighbourhood. He gave several Whole Duties of Man to a Clergyman in his Neighbourhood; who promised to Disperse 'em according to the Mind of the Society. That he took the Names of most persons to whom he distributed Books, & has found that they begin to have a good Effect; and yt he has been, & shall be watchful to observe that the Common prayers are used in the Congregation.

(9.) A Letter was read from Dr Tyler Dean of Hereford, that he distributes the Little pieces sent him by the Society, the best he Can, for the benefit of poor families.

(10.) Another from Mr Harrison of Cambridge, ~~certi~~ notifying the Carriers direction.

(11.) Another from Mr Wood of Greens Norton, to the same effect.

(12.) Another from Mr A.D. Boothe, giving the Direction of the Chester Carrier; and certifying that the Trustees for the School at Chester hope to settle it, by Benefactions, for futurity. And that the Clergy there, have sett up a Course of Preaching every Wednesday at the County & City Prison: which Course he begun, upon Ash Wednesday last.

(13.) Another from Mr Fenwick of Hallaton, giving his Carriers direction; and certifying that he has begun a Subscription for a School in his Parish; where, upon his Reading the Societys Accts. A good Lady has sett 6 poor Children to School: & he also recommends Mr

Bewick Minister of Barrow to the Society for a Correspondent.

(14.) Another from Mr Lewis late of Ackryse, now of Margate, notifying his Carriers direction.

(15.) Another from Mr Vaughan of Derllys, desiring that the Book of Homilies in Welsh, of which he hears the Bp of Hereford has one, may be reprinted & putt into the Welsh Libraries; and also into each parish Church, as they ought. He desires also to know what progress the Society has made in promoting Family Devotions.

(16.) Another from A.D. Entwistle notifying his Carriers direction; and also the Combination of 13 Clergymen for Reading Prayers & Preaching to the Prisoners, for whom there is a Collection made. That Mr Massie a Mercer employs very many poor Children in Spinning. That they have had some Benefactions and Legacies for the School there, of which they will be willing to give the Society an acct every 3 years. And that he has advanced a poor boy out of the Charity School to be a Queens Scholar in the Gramar School; & that the Society allow 5li to be improved at Interest for Him.

(17.) Another from Mr Clarke of Nottingham, owning the rect of the great Pa coll which he will distribute to Advantage

(18.) Another from Mr Borrington of Wittersham, owing the Rect of the great Parcel, which he will dispose of according to the Societies directions. He is extremely pleas'd with Mr Walls Abridgemt & that of Pietas Hallensis, and desires that Psalmody may be promoted, he being of Dr Bray's Opinion express'd in his Pastoral Discourse, & having drawn up A Discourse on Singing in the Worship of G which (or some other) he thinks the Society may disperse among their Correspondents.

(19.) Another from Mr Thomlinson of New Castle upon Tine, owning the rect of the Parcel sent last Year, & certifying the Society of many particulars relating to the Schools there wch they have been before apprised of by other Letters. Besides wch he says, A Gentleman has given 20li p ann for ever for a School in St Johns Parish, where 34 Children are taught. The Master has 16li p ann, a house, & Liberty to teach 10 other Scholars at 2s a quarter. They allow 40s yearly for Books, Pap &c. & 40s for placing them out Apprentices, when they carry away each a Bible, Comon Prayer, & Whole Duty of Man. That at Wintaton in the Bprick of Durham, Mr Crowley employs 400 or 500 Men in an Iron Manufactory, & built 'em a Chapel, whose Minister ~~are~~ is allowed by the Workmen half a farthing out of every shilling of their Wages, ~~w~~ which with Mr Crowley's gift amounts to about 50li p ann. These men also allow a farthing in the Shilling more, for maintaining their own poor, & paying a Schoolmaster about 17li p ann for teaching their Children. Lastly he desires to know if Mr Shebs Pietas Anglica goes on, for which he has some farther materials.

(1.) Another from Mr Killingbeck of Leeds, who says, the Subscription to the School there amounts to 208l. for the Ensuing year, & hope's it may be perpetuated. The Magistrates have given to it a Spacious House, formerly designed for a ~~[illegible]~~ Workhouse; as also a Months Assessment, for fitting it up. They have also 40l. per ann certain, towards it, viz. 20l. from the Offertory, (formerly applied by him, for binding 7 or 8 Children Apprentices,) & 20l. hereunto given by the Trustees of an Estate of 80l. p ann given for Clothing the Poor of the Town every Christmass. The School consists now of 28 Boys, & 12 Girls, all Clothed; & he desires that these particulars may be taken Notice of in the next impression of ye Acct. of Charity Schools.

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9. May, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Dr Slare, Mr Baman, Mr Brewster, Mr Wyndham, Sr John Philipps, Mr Whiston a Correspondent, Mr Stubs, Mr Edwards, Mr Chamberlayne;

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, Mr Inner being absent.

(1.) Mr Treasurer undertook to proportion the Number of Books remaining from the Great Parcels, of which he produced a List, according to the Number of Gentlemen who are to have them, by Min. 13. of March. 14. & to lay the result before ye Comittee.

(2.) Agreed, that some of Mr Clarke's Essays, & of the Bibles bought with Sr Richard Bulkeley's Benefaction, be putt into these new parcels.

(3.) Agreed, that a quarter of an hundred of Mr Clarks Essays; and half an hundred of each of Dr Woodwards Tracts about Confirmation be given to Mr Brewster to disperse at Stoke-Nayland in Suffolk.

(4.) Mr Shute reported ~~that~~ from Mr Bulstrode, that he has Agreed to Sell the Houses at War: for 100l.

(5.) A Letter was read from Dr Hutchinson of Bury to Mr Shute, owning the Receit of the last Great Parcel, and certifying that a Subscription is begun for a Charity School at Bury, towards which above 50l. p ann is already Subscribed, which he hope's may be raised to 70l. & desire's advice, as to the Carrying on that good Design.

(6.) Another from Mr Hughes of Kilmersdon to the same, who has recd ye great Parcel, & certifie's that he teache's 36 poor Children; & desire's him to Pay down the 2 pence for ye Common prayers formerly sent him.

(7.) Another from Mr Davenport of Broad-Hinton owning the recet. of the great Packet.

(8.) Another from Mr Turner of Stamford of the same import; & certifie's that Books may be beg'd, ~~&~~ & sent into Wales, at a small Expence.

(9.) Another from Mr Allen, giving his Carriers Direction ~~owning the recet of the parcel lately sent him~~.

(10.) Sr John Philipps reported from the Standing Committee, that they had gone thro' with the Audit of Mr Treasurers Accts and did Approve, & accordingly had Subscribed the same.

(11.) Mr Shute Reported that Mr Gerrard does ~~Report~~ Own the Rect. of the 13 for
3 16 Welch Libraries, for which he has given his Note, which must be produced when
~~9 8 0~~ the Money is called out of his Hands. Which Case, with the like, which may happen hereafter, the Society refer'd to the Standing Committee.

(12.) Order'd that the Secretary do write ~~to~~ the Ld. Bp. of Hereford, about Mr Vaughans Motion for Printing the Book of Homilies in Welsh. And that he do attend the Ld. Bps. of St. Asaph & Bangor, upon the same.

(13.) Mr Fox was Desired to buy Mr Dorrington's Discourse on Singing in the Worship of God, to Peruse it, and to give his Opinion of it at Next Meeting.

(14.) Letters were read from Mr Hughes of Kilmersdon, Mr Lewis of Margate, & Dr Littel of Lyn, all notifying their Carriers Directions. Dr Littel adds, that the Design of Erecting a School at Lynn, is quash'd for the Present; but hopes for a favorable Opportunity of Reviving it.

(15.) Letters were Read from Mr Harrison of Stanton, Mr Olyffe of Bunton, Mr Bragge of Hitchin, & Mr Grave of Lewes, all owning the Receipt of the Great Parcel lately sent to them.

(16.) Another from Mr L'Isle of Gisborough, owning the Rect. of the Parcel sent to him last Year, and desiring directions about buying another.

(17.) Another from Mr Bennett of Colchester, owning the rect. of the Great Parcel, & amongst the Books therein Contained, comends Mr Walls Abridgement as very useful there, where the Anabaptists swarm, & have lately forged a Miracle in behalf of their Perswasion ~~which he believe may be attended with ill consequences~~ He suggests also, the dispersing of New Testamt. of Mr Lewes's Catechism, and the Printing Mr Walls Abridgemt. in a smaller Character. He Adds, that all their Poor being provided for by a Corporation settled by act of Parliamt, the Erecting Charity-Schools there, is thereby rendred almost Impracticable.

Agreed that half an hundred of Mr Walls Abridgemts. be sent to Mr Bennett of Colchester.

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16. May. 1706

Present Sr. Jno. Phillips, Dr. Manningham, Dr. Hare, Mr. Fox Mr. Shute, Mr. Chamberlain Mr. Hoare Mr. Hodges, Mr. De la M Mr. Brewster, Mr Edwards,

Sr. Jno. Phillips in ye chair, Mr. Jenner being absent

(1.) agreed that Mr. Edwards have the thanks of this Society for his great care & pains in drawing up the Account of the ~~severall~~ Charity Schools;

(2) Mr. Edwards Reported that Mr. A: D: Kennett did preach this day at the meeting of the poor children in St. Sepulchers church, whereupon the Society desired that Sr. John Phillips & Mr. Edwards would give him their thanks and desire him to print his Sermon which gave so much satisfaction in the hearing of it.

(3.) Agreed that Mr. Chamberlain be desired to draw up an Adverstisement to be incerted in next saterdays Post man. of the Anniversary meeting of the poore children in the charity Schools, in St. Sepulchers church –

(4.) Mr. Edwards proposed Mr. Haines of Wroxall in Warwickshire for a Correspondent member – – – – – –

(5.) Mr. Edwards reported that he had a letter from Mr. Charles Stevens, ~~agree~~ relating to the erecting of a Charity Schoole

agreed that the contents of the said letter be referred to the Standing Committe,

a letter was read from Mr. Bedford of Bristol, with a Specimen Inclosed of his treatise relating to ye. Play houses,

agreed that the same be referred to the Standing Committee

a letter was read from Mr. Edwd: Bromfield at Boston in new England – – – – – – – –

ordered that Mr. Wanley do write to Dr. Hutchinson of Bury and send him the printed Account of the charity Schools,

agreed that 5000 of the new Account of the charity Schools be forthwith printed by Mr. Downing including the 3000 put into the hands of the Children when they went in procession – – – – – – – –

~~agreed that the Secretary to draw up an answer to Mr. Bennetts letter,~~

agreed that the Secretary to send Mr. Bennetts letter to the Standing Committe – .

agreed that a dozen of Dr. Gibsons family Devotions be sent to Mr. Stubs – – – –

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23. May, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Justice Hooke, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr. John Philipps, the Secretary (Mr Ollyffe a Correspondent,) Mr Fox, ~~Mr [illegible]~~ Mr Edwards, Dr Manningham, Mr Richardson, Mr Nelson, (Mr Sandylands a Correspondent,) Dr Hare,

Sr. John Philipps in the Chair, Mr Jenner being absent.

(1.) Mr Shute Reported from Mr Bulstrode, that he has made a ~~Bargain~~ sale of the Houses at Ware, for 100£. and shall receive the Money for them in a short time. –

(2.) Sr. J. Philipps Reported from the Standing Comittee, that they have made ~~good~~ Progress in the Matter refer'd to them by Min. 11. of May 9. & hope to finish the same at their next Meeting.

(3.) Agreed that Mr Treasurer be desired to write to Mr Parks, for the Note given him by Mr Gerard, for the 13£ remitted for the behoof of the Welsh Libraries.

(4.) Mr Fox Reporting that he had perused Mr Dorringtons Discourse on Singing in the Worship of God, and ~~found~~ finding it to be a very good Treatise: The Secretary was Order'd to desire Mr Dorrington to make a short Abstract ~~out~~ of it, especially as to the Devotional part: and that he would peruse Dr Hamonds Preface to the Psalms, if he have not done it already; and to annex some Select Psalms & Hymns to it, if he shall think fitt.

(5.) Agreed that a quarter of a hundred of Mr Walls ~~Abstracts~~ Abridgements be given to Mr Ollyff of Dunton, to disperse in his Neighbourhood.

(6.) Mr Sandylands owned the Rect. of the Parcel of Mr Walls Abridgmts. lately sent him, which he has dispersed about Reading, where there are many Anabaptists; as he hopes with good Effect.

(7.) Sr. John Philipps Reported that Dr Kennett does consent to the Printing his Sermon, the Copy whereof he gives to the Society: desiring 300 Copies of ~~them~~ (whereof 100 to be Gilt,) & stitch'd up in Marble Paper for himself.

(8.) Mr Fox was desired to cause two of Dr Kennets Sermons to be bound up in ~~Parchment~~ Velom, with the New Acct. in Order to be presented to Her Majesty, & to the Prince.

(9.) Agreed that 1500 Copies of Dr Kennetts Sermon, (whereof 300 to be upon the better Paper;) be Printed at the Charge of this Society.

(10.) Order'd that the Secretary do write to the Ld. Bp. of Worcester, for a Character of Mr Vernon, who desire's to be a Corresponding Member of this Society.

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30 May. 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Dr Slare, (Mr Edwards a Correspondent,) Monsr. de la Mothe, Sr. John Philipps, Mr Jenner, Mr Fox, Mr Trollope, Mr Riddal, Mr Meller, Mr Palmer, Mr Nelson, Mr Edwards, (Mr Haines a Correspondent,) Mr Brewster, Mr Hoare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Skate, (Dr Davies a Correspondent,)

Mr Jenner in the Chair,

(1.) Mr Postlethwait was Chosen a Residing Member of this Society, & Mr Fox to desire his Attendance.

(2.) Agreed that Mr Fox be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

(3.) Agreed that the Matter of Reprinting the Homily-book in Welsh, be referred to the Standing Committee.

(4.) Part of a Letter was Read from Mr Ellis of Sheffield to Mr Bridges, wherein he propose's the obtaining a parcel of Books from the Society, as a present to the Religious Society there:

Whereupon the Society desired that Mr Fox would acquaint the Standing Comittee, with the Names of such books as the Society have already; and the Comittee are to compile of a Parcel to ~~40~~ 50l. value, ~~including those now Named~~. ~~[illegible]~~

(5.) Agreed that a packet of Books & Papers be given to Mr Chamberlayne, who is going into the Country, ~~to disperse~~ according to Mr Treasurer's discretion.

(6.) Letters were Read from Mr Owen Jones of Pembroke, Mr Cleaveland of Ridley, & Mr Scott of Northwood; all notifying their Carriers Directions, in Order to the sending the great Parcel

(7.) Others, from Mr Tottie of Eccleshal, Mr Colborn of Brighthelmston, Mr. Disney of Lincoln, Mr Vaughan of Derllys, Mr Shirmy of Merton, Mr King of Exeter, Mr Edwards of Embledon, Mr Love of Yarmouth, Mr Turner of Stamford, Mr Foster of Beverel, & Mr Fenwick of Hallaton; all owning the Rect. of the Great Parcells sent to them: and Mr Foster farther certifie's, that the Charity School in his Parish doth now decrease; for now after 5 years, the first Sett of Schollars being taught, they want a Succession of others in their Places: and the 3 Schoolmistresses have not 20 scholars among them all. Mr Fenwick is more large as to the particular Method he take's in Distributing the Societie's Books upon each of which, he writes whose Gift it was, to whom, & when Given.

(8.) Others, from Mr Henley of Melton-Mowbray, & Sr. Sackvile Crow, both accepting the Correspondence. And another from Mr Rogers of Blatchford in answer to the Societie's Second General Letter.

(9.) Another from Mr Bromfield of Boston in New-England, in answer to that sent him in January 1704/5. shewing the Approbation which the Societie's Proceedings meet with in those parts.

(10) Another from Mr Allen of Archester, returning thanks for the Books & Papers sent him by the Society.

(11.) Another from Mr Gilbert of Locko desiring a Parcel of Books to be paid for: which the Society Agreed shall be bought for any Correspondent, upon the receipt of their Money.

(12.) Another from Mr Davies of Boddwyddan, now of Shrewzbury, notifying his Carriers Direction, in Order for the Great Parcel; and seeming to decline being a Receiver for the Welsh Libraries, since he is removed, & has no Cure of Souls. And desire's that the Bp. of St. Asaph may be Advised with as to that Affair.

(13.) Another from Mr Lloyd of Rose-Crowther, who wishes that Dr Woodwards Confirmation & Dr Gibsons Family Devotion were turned into Welsh; that more of those Tracts concerning the Oath of a Constable were sent into Wales; and that another Of the Oath of a Church Warden were drawn up. This was referd to the Standing Comittee.

(14.) Another from the Lord Bp. of Hereford, who approve's the design of Reprinting the Book of Homilies in Welsh, towards which he has about 4l. Subscription, given when he was Bp. of Bangor. He has also, or should have, one of those Books in Carmar~~then~~vanshire, which he will Lend the Society to Print by, if they cannot gett another. He own's the Recit of the Parcel sent in September last, with which came ~~some~~ three others without Directions, which his Lordship will deliver or Distribute as the Society shall desire.

6. June, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute; Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Mr Jenner, the Secretary: Mr A. D. ~~C~~ Chetwood a Correspondent, Mr Fox, Mr Postlethwait, Mr Trollope. [Mr Haines a Correspondent,] Mr Edwards, Dr Hare, Mr Hoare.

Mr Fox in the Chair,

(1.) Agreed that the 1. Min. of 23. May last; be consider'd when Mr Bulstrode is Present.

(2.) The Resolutions of the Committee Relating to the Welsh Libraries, grounded upon 2. Min. of 23 ~~June~~ May, was read; and Order'd to be Consider'd at next meeting.

(3.) Agreed that Mr Skeale's Acct. of the Charge of Clothing the Poor Children, be inserted into the New Impression of the Acct. of Schools.

(4.) A Letter was read from Mr Beauvoir ~~was read [illegible]~~ desiring some Books & Papers for the Ship Kent, (where the Societies Gift did much Good the last year:) Agreed that a parcel not exceeding 20s. in Value, be sent to Mr Beauvoir according to his Desire.

(5.) A motion being made about the Convenient Binding of Mr Lewis's Catechism, 'twas refer'd to the Standing Committee.

(6.) Sr J. Philipps produced a Catalogue of Books, from Mr ~~R~~ Woodcock, which he is willing to give to the Welsh Libraries. And another from Sr. Rich. [illegible]ham. 'Twas refer'd to the Standing Committee, to consider of a Method of Preserving the Memory of these & such like [illegible]nefactions.

(7.) Mr Jenner being about going into the Country, & desiring a small parcell of Books & Papers to distribute: Mr Treasurer was desired to furnish him according to his discretion.

(8.) It being Reported that the Poor Children taught in the Charity Schools, are sometimes apt to value themselves too much upon their good Education: the Secretary was Order'd to make Dr Talbot acquainted with it, and desire him in his Intended Treatise to inculcate the Duties of Humility, Obedience, &c.

(9.) Sr J. Philipps proposed the Buying a thousand of Mr Scougalls Life of God in the Soul of Man, since it may be thus bought at 6d. a book: which Proposal was refer'd to the Standing Committee.

(10.) A Report being made from the St. Committee, about Reprinting the Book of Homilies in Welsh: 'twas referd to farther Consideration.

(11.) Mr Bedfords Letter & Specimen (Refer'd to the Standing Committee) being produced Mr A. D. Chetwood undertook to peruse them, & return them to Mr Treasurer.

(12.) A Letter was Read from Dr Todd of Penrith owning the Receit of the Great Parcell which he will faithfully distribute according to the Societies Intentions.

(13.) Sr J. Philipps Reported from the Standing Committee, that 'twas their Opinion that the Secretary should be Order'd to write to the Ld. Bp. of Hereford desiring his Opinion whether Dr Woodwards Confirmation, & Dr Gibsons Family-Prayer may not be Translated into Welsh with Good Effect: and that Dr Kennett should be desired to draw up a short Treatise concerning the Duty of Church-Wardens. To all which the Society Agreed.

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13. June, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Mr De la Motthe, Mr Edwards the Secretary: Mr Postlethwait, Dr Slare, Mr Moller, Mr Haines. Sr John Philipps, Mr Wyndham, Mr Stubs, Mr Hale & Mr Gardiner, Sr Humfrey Mackworth,

Mr Fox in the Chair,

(1.) Mr Fox Reported that he has taken care of the Parcel Agreed to be sent to the Religious Society at Sheffield,

(2.) Agreed that the several Great Parcels yet remaining to be sent be open'd, and into each of them be put [illegible] 6 of Mr Clerke's Essays; 6 of Dr Kennetts Sermons; & 6 of the late Acct of Schools

~~(3.) Agreed that a Packet be made up for Mr Delabere, out of the Packet~~

(4.) Agreed that Mr Delabere have that Great Parcel, which was designed for Mr Morgan of Presteigne Deceased: and another be made up for that ~~of such~~ Correspondent who shall succeed him in the Correspondence as to those parts.

(5.) Sr John Philipps presented a Catalogue of Books given to the Welsh Libraries by Mr ~~Fou~~ De la Motthe: and Mr Stubs another, of Books sent from a Person Unknown.

(6.) Sr John Philipps Reported from the Committee, that 'twas their Opinion, That each of the Receivers for the Welsh Libraries should be desired once in a Month to return to Mr Shute an acct. of all Moneys & Books by them Received: and that the Secretary should enter each Persons acct. severally in a Book to be kept for that purpose, according to a Specimen deliver'd in to the Society ~~by Mr Moller~~. And that Notice of this should be sent to each Receiver.

(7.) Mr Owen ~~Mo~~ Evans of Llangoidmor, & Mr Howel Penry of Llanvihangill having consented to be receivers for the Welsh Libraries, for Cardiganshire, were entred into the Proposals, the Reprinting whereof (~~the copy of which~~ in a half-sheet 4to wise:) ~~whereof~~ is referd to the Standing-Committee:

(8.) Order'd that the Secretary do again write to the Gentlemen formerly named to be Receivers for Flintshire, Merionethshire, & Montgomeryshire, desiring them to accept that Trust, or to name other Fitt Persons.

(9.) Sr John Philipps Proposed that a Method might be Considered for making it easy for Charitable Persons who come Occasionally to Town, to dispose of their Charity: which Motion was refer'd to the Standing Committee.

(10.) Mr Shute desiring a ~~quantity of~~ an Hundred of Dr Kennets Sermons to among the Masters & Mistresses of the Charity-Schools; they were order'd to ~~be~~ deliver'd to him.

(11.) Mr Fox Reported that he can buy 1000 of Mr Scougals book at 4d 1/2 a piece u bound; that is 6d 1/2 bound: and Mr Fox was desired to buy 1000 of them bound at that Rate.

(12.) Mr Shute reported that Mr A-D. Chetwood ~~having~~ has perused Mr Bedfords Speci-men, and does approve of it: and the Secretary was Order'd to write to him encourage him to go on in that good Design.

(13.) Sr John Philipps desiring a Parcel of Books & Papers: Mr Treasurer was desired to furnish him.

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20 ~~19~~ June, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Dr Slare, (Mr Foster a Correspondi Sr John Philipps, the Secretary, Mr Jenner, Mr Miller, Mr De la Mothe, Mr A-D. Ch wood, Mr Shute, Mr Edwards, Mr Postlethwait,

Mr Fox in the Chair

(1.) Agreed that the 1. Min. of 23 of May last, be consider'd when Mr Bulstrode is pr sent.

(2.) The 10. Min. of 6. June, to be Considerd at a full Meeting.

(3.) Dr Slare Presented 6 Welsh Bibles, to the Welsh Libraries; for which the Soci returned him their Thanks.

(4.) Agreed that a parcel of Books & Papers be given to Mr Bridges to disperse in his intended Journey; according to Mr Treasurer's Discretion.

(5.) Mr De la Mothe Reported that Mr Mountmollin a Minister of Neufchatel i now in Town, and that they both have seen that Liturgy lately sent from then & so much as is Translated from it. That Mr Montmollin has also brought with him a Service for the Lords Day, which is not contained in the above-mentioned Ms. That Mr Montmollin is unwilling to communicate it without Express Orders from Mr Osterwald; and says that the Service Established at N chatel being not as yet Printed there, they are unwilling to have any Tra lation printed as yet, for fear of giving Offence to their Neighbours: and th this reason kept em ~~for~~ from sending any Copy of it to Berlin, where it was ver much desired.

(6.) Mr Fox Reported from the Stand. Committee, that twas their Opinion that Mr L Catechism should be dispersed Bound: and he undertook to treat with the Bookbinder.

(7.) Letters were Read from Mr Lloyd of Ross-Crowther, Mr Pocock of Colmer, Mr Jones of Pembroke, & Mr Bennett of Shrewsbury, all owning the Receipt of the several Great Pa lately sent to them, which they will distribute according to the intent of the Society hmore; Mr Pocock accepts the Correspondence: Mr [illegible] says that about him, part of the proposals for Erecting Libraries in Wales, relating to the dispersing of Bibles & other good Books in Poor Families, is most approv'd. Mr Bennett hopes to enlarge the Charity School at Shrewsbury by subscriptions, and in time to send an acct. hither of his good Success.

(8.) Another from Mr Wall of Shoreham accepting the Correspondence: and promising to enlarge about Faith & Repentance in the next Edition of his Abstract.

(9.) Two other from Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Sandylands about sending the parcel which the Society promised him, & which is already sent.

(10.) Another from Mr Nelson, offering the Copy of a Tract Entituled Prayers for Prisoners under Sentence of Death, to the Society. The Society were thankful for this Favor, & order'd the Secretary to acquaint him that the Tract upon this Subject which they formerly Dispers'd, did contain all that; with Additions.

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27. June. 1706.

Present Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Mr Fox, Mr Shute, the Secretary: Mr Edwards, Mr Jenner,

Mr Fox in the Chair.

(1.) Agreed that Sr John Philipps be Chairman for the Month Ensuing.

(2.) It being Observed that the Children taken into Charity Schools, are generally too Young; and are therefore, too young at their leaving the said Schools, to enter into Service: The Consideration of this Matter was Refer'd to the Standing Committee.

(3.) Mr Tailleur was Chosen a Residing Member of this Society, and Mr Shute to desire his Attendance.

(4.) The Honble Mr George Watson was Chosen a Residing Member of this Society, and Sr John Philipps to desire his Attendance.

(5.) Mr Smith was Chosen a Residing Member of this Society, and Mr Fox to desire his Attendance.

(6.) Agreed that Mr Skeate have half a dozen Bibles, & as many Duties of Man, as proper Opportunities happen for his distributing them in such Poor Families as want them.

(7.) Agreed that 6 of Dr Kennett's Sermons, & as many of the New Accts of Schools be sent to each of the Residing Members of this Society.

(8.) Agreed that the same Number of the abovemention'd Books, & 6 of Mr Clark's Essays, be sent to Mr Vaughan of Derllys.

(9.) Mr Edwards Proposed that an Acct. should be laid before the Society, of
·bers of those Books & Papers remaining in the Societies Collection, which are
~~[illegible]~~ ~~likely~~ almost all ~~given away~~ disposed of.

(10.) Agreed that Mr Lewis's Catechism be distributed Bound for the Future: ~~he~~ Mr
Fox Reporting that they may be Bound for $1^{d}\frac{1}{2}$ a piece, in Sheeps Leather.

(11.) A Letter was read from Dr Talbott of Spofforth owning the Receit of the Great Pa
cell Lately sent to him. He has been hindered of late from Proceeding in y
drawing up the Tract desired of him, by the busy Endeavors of the Romanis
in his Parish, which he now thinks he has given a Check to, and will
therefore go on in that work. He is also of opinion that good Service may ac-
crue to the Public, by a Tract written in a familiar manner by way of
Letter from the Minister of a Parish 1st to a Parishioner lately Pervert
to the Romish Church, or in Danger of being so: and Secondly to a Popi
Missionary. He has reced an acct. ~~from~~ that the Duke of Somerset intends to sett
a Salary for the Endowment of a Free School in Spofforth, of which, when ac-
complished the Society shall have the Particulars. And that at Kirk-Deigh
ton a mile off him, a School house will be built & Endowed at the joint Cha
of the Patron & the Doctor of that Church, & Parishioners. ~~And lastly~~ He writes for a Parcel o
Books ~~&~~ to be Paid for; and lastly, if the Society please will transmitt a Lectu
Sermon preach'd by him at York, upon the Great Duty of Doing as we would b
done by, to be printed by their Printer. Which Offer the Society did thankfully
accept.

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4 July, 1706.

Present Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Nelson, Mr Meller, the Secretar
(Mr Boreman a Correspondent.) Mr Edwards, Mr Fox (Mr Newman a Corresponden
Mr De la Mothe, Mr Postlethwayt, Mr Hoare, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hodges.

Sir John Philipps in the Chair.

(1.) Agreed that the 1 Min. of 23 of May last, be consider'd when Mr Bulstrode is pr

(2.) The 10 Min. of 6th of June to be Consider'd at a full Meeting.

(3.) Mr Shute Reported that he has reced Mr Gerard's Note for 13^{li} given by Mr Pea
friend to the behoof of the Welsh-Libraries.

(4) A Letter was Read from Mr Wood of Greens-Norton to Mr Shute owning the Recei
of the Societies Great Parcel Lately sent to him, which he will dispose of according to the
Intentions.

(5) Agreed that a parcel of Seamans Monitors, Mr Clarks Essays & Lewis's Catechisms, & Dr Gibsons Devotions, be given to Capt. Congreve ~~Governour of~~ a Captain in ye Garrison of Fort Alb
in New-York, to disperse. The Value not exceeding 20^{s} in all.
* 1. Duty of Man, & 1 Osterwald's Catechism.

Agreed, upon the Motion of Mr Fox, that 100 of Mr Bonnells Life be bought, And he undertook to take care of it.

(7.) Agreed that the Secretary do write to Dr Talbott & inform him of the Societies Approbation of such a Letter from a Minister of a Parish, as he mentioned in Min. 11. of 27 June. and that he would be pleased to ~~take~~ ~~that~~ trouble the Composing it upon himself.

(8) The Poors-Box being Open'd there was found therein the sum of £3.10.08¾ which was forthwith Deliver'd to Mr Skeate, according to former Order.

(9.) Mr Skeate also deliver'd in an acct. of £05.3.7. recd out of the Poors Box 28 March last; wherewith 24 Poor Families have been Relieved, and 3 Poor Prisoners Released out of Prison.

(10) Agreed that Mr Treasurer be Impowered to deliver to Mr Gardiner, Mr Skeate & Mr Mitchel ~~with~~ such Books or Papers, ~~which~~ as they shal judge proper to be given to ~~such~~ those Poor or Prisoners whom they shall Relieve by the Mony thus Collected.

(11.) A Letter was read from Mr Bridges to Mr Chamberlayne concerning his Intended Journey to all the Corporation Towns in the West of England.

(12.) Another from Mr Ellis of Sheffield to Mr Skeat, certifying that lately at York he found 2 Religious Societies of Young men. That he assisted at one of them which met under the Direction of Mr Bradley; which Society at first were ~~apprehensive~~ afraid that the Archbishop of York would not approve of their Meetings: but that since then, Mr Bradley ha's assured them that his Grace of York is perfectly reconciled, and in a particular manner return'd his Thanks to Mr Nelson for that Account of them, in his Preface to the Feasts & Fasts of the Church

(13.) Another from Mr Williams of Denbigh to Mr Nelson, owning the Rect. of the Packet, and farther shewing that he ha's imparted the Societies General Letters to his Neighbouring Clergy. That his design is to procure the Erection of Welsh-Schools, & to sett an Example to others by Establishing one in his own Parish. He Propose's that the Mony raised by Mr Nelsons Tract on Confirmation in Welsh (of which many are dispers'd Gratis by the Bp. of St Asaph & Himself) may go as part of Contribution to the said Welsh Schools. To which Mr Nelson gave his Consent.

(13.) Another from Mr Sandylands to the Secretary, owning the Rect. of the Packet lately sent to him.

(14.) Another from Mr Harrison of Stanton who intends to propose the Affair of the Welsh Libraries at the Quarter Sessions, in Monmouthshire.

(15.) Another from Dr Kennett who doe's not decline the Drawing up a Treatise concerning the due Observance of the Oath administred to Church-Wardens, ~~&c~~ and other Church Officers.

(16.) Another from Mr Bedford of Bristol. who ha's already alter'd the Title of his Book ag. the Stage, now in the Press.

11. July 1706.

~~398~~ **Present** Mr Thule, Sr John Philipps, Mr Trollope, Mr Edwards, the Secretary: Mr Fox, (Mr Wall a Correspondent,) Mr Bromfield, Mr McIneth,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair.

(1.) Agreed that an Acct. of the Numbers of the Sermons & Accts. of Schools remaining as yet undisposed of, be laid before the Society at next Meeting: in Order to consider of the Distribution of them among the Corresponding Members of this Society.

(2.) Agreed that a List of the of the Society's Books & Papers be laid before the Standing Committee, who are to Agree upon a Parcel for the Lord Bp. of Llandaff.

(3) A Letter was Read from Mr Burrell to Mr Nelson, who (amongst other things,) says that one Mr Seymour a Goldsmith did at his own Charge procure Prayers to be Read mornings & Evenings at St. Christophers in Threadneedle-street, London: the first instance of that Kind: as also a Charity-School at Norton-Folgate, to which he has procured a Subscription of 30li p ann. for which the Master teaches 60 or 70 Boys their Catechism & to Read & Write. Every year about 20 fresh Boys are taken in, as others grow Perfect: And the same Mr Seymour has Endowed the School (after the death of his Widow,) with 20li p ann, till it can be maintained by Subscriptions. Mr Burrel also believes that this School at Norton Folgate, was the first of that Kind.

(4.) Another from Mr Wall of Shoreham accepting the Correspondence.

(5.) Another from Mr Dorrington of Wittersham, promising to draw up ~~such~~ a Discourse in order to promote ~~Publick~~ ~~about~~ Psalmody, according to the Desire of the Society. He thinks it a most proper Means of promoting Religion & Good Manners; and intends to sett about it, after his return from Tunbridge, whither the Care of his Health will shortly call him: and will lay his first Draught of it before the Society, in Order to their Approbation or Correction. He thinks the different Versions of the Singing Psalms, used in Churches to be a great Hindrance to Psalmody; and therefore wishes that the Government would bring the People to the common use of one good Translation of the Scripture Psalms. He thinks to add the notes for the Treble part of some of the sweetest Psalm-Tunes; wherein he will hereafter consult the Society.

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18 July, 1706.

Present, Mr Thule; Mr Chamberlayne; Sr John Philipps, Mr Edwards, the Secretary: Mr Fox, (Mr Skeate a Correspondent,) Mr Andrews, Mr Mil Mr Shute:

Sr John Philipps in the Chair:

(1.) Agreed that 1 Min. of 23 of May last, be consider'd when Mr Bulstrode is present.

(2.) The 10 Min. of 6 of June, to be consider'd at a full Meeting.

(3.) Mr Chamberlayne brought in ~~in~~ £5.10.0. a Benefaction from a friend of Mr A.D. Yeate of arlborough: for which the Society desired that the Benefactor & the Arch-Deacon might be Thanked.

(4.) Mr [redacted] & Mr Shute Reported that the School at Cripplegate being now about 40l in debt: there is great hope of receiving [redacted] 200l being a Legacy lately bequeathed thereunto by Mr Tho. Mow late Consul at Carthagena.

(5.) Mr Shute having disbursed 3l in pasting A.B. Tillotsons Opinion ~~of~~ of Plays upon Pastboards & dispersing the same in Coffee-houses, &c. the Society allow'd it, & Agreed he should be paid.

(6.) Agreed that 100 of Dr Kennetts Sermons, with 100 of the last Acct. of Schools stitch'd to them, be deliver'd to Mr Shute to disperse.

(7.) A Proposal was made from the Committee to the Society, and Agreed to: vizt. that a List of such Books & Papers only as are dispers'd by the Society, be Printed, with their Respective Prices annex'd.

(8.) Agreed that a List of the Books & Papers dispers'd by the Society be drawn up, and laid before the Standing Comittee, who are to Approve of it, to annex the several Prices to the same, with such Post-script as shall be thought fitt; and to agree upon the Number of Copies to be Printed.

(9.) A Motion being made for Re-printing Dr Kennetts sermon & the New Acct. of Schools: was referr'd to the Standing Comittee.

(10.) A Letter was read from Mr Davenport of Broad-Hinton to Mr Shute, owning the Rect. of the Great ~~Box~~ Parcel which he will disperse according to the Societies Intentions.

(11.) Part of a Letter from Mr Vaughan of Derllys to Mr Shute was Read, wherein he owns the Rect. of the Parcel of Books lately sent unto him, part of which he desires to distribute amongst the Scholars taught in a Charity-School: having already distributed the rest, amongst House-keepers & to a Young Person, who had not ability. He desires to know if the Comon-Prayer & 39 Articles in Welsh, be Printed: & the Prices of each of them. He farther says that his desired That the Inhabitants of Every Parish may have the Perusal of the Books in the Welsh-Libraries as well as the Clergy & School-masters, & more especially House-keepers; they giving sufficient Pledges to return all they borrow, without damage. He also desires that the following Books may be made part of the said Welsh Libraries, vizt. 1st. one writ by Mr Johns of Stroud, describing the method by him taken in Visiting his Parishioners. [redacted] 2dly Mr Hesketh's Case of Eating & Drinking Unworthily Stated, &c. & 3dly The Lives of Good Men, which he thinks may do a great deal of Good.

(12.) A Letter was read from the Ld. Bp. of Hereford, showing that there have been two Versions of the Singing Psalms in Welsh Printed; of which, he approves that of A.D. Price, which is usually bound up with the Bible: to which if any Improvement should be made, he think Mr Williams of Llanbedroc in Carnarvanshire the fittest Man to do it. He approv's of th

Woodwards 2 Tracts upon Confirmation in Welsh; and thinks Dr G
400 Family Devotion ~~in Welsh~~, if translated into Welsh, may do much good
And lastly, write's that he has now gote his Copy of the Homily-book in W
by him.

(13.) Another from Dr Lloyd, who write's that his Father the Ld Bp. of Worcester c
not give a Character of Mr Vernon as desired, because he know's divers Cle
men of that name. And desire's Mr Shute to send him 200 Tracts to Con
people of the Necessity of Receiving; & instruct them in the Duty of Prepari
for the Holy Sacrament.

(14.) Another from Mr Philipps of Jesus College in Oxford, accepting the Corr
pondence.

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25 July, 1706.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Wilcocks, Sr John Philipps, Mr Melmoth, Mr Jax, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr De la Mothe, Dr Slare, Mr Edwards, Mr Melmoth, Mr Loyband,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair.

(1.) ~~Mr~~ Sr John Philipps produced a Collection of Psalm-Tunes in 3 Parts, collecte by Mr Foster; which he was willing should be communicated to Mr Berrington.

(2.) Agreed that Mr Shute be Chairman for the Ensuing Month.

(3.) Agreed, upon the Motion of Mr Shute, that a parcel of Books & Papers, not exceeding 20s. in value, together with an Ostervald be given to Mr Lauther ~~of~~ near Barton in Lincolnshire, to disperse in his Neighbourhood

(4.) Sr John Philipps Reported from the Standing-Committee their Opinion that 1000 of Dr Kennetts Sermons, & 1000 of the New Accts of Schools be Reprinted, each in the Compas of a Sheet, or in as little Compass as conveniently may be. Whereupon th Society, upon Consideration, order'd the said Numbers of Sermons & Accts to be Prin but in 4to.

(5.) A Letter was read from Mr Shute now at Greenwich, promising a farther of Mr Moores Legacy; with which Letter came also 1 dozen of his last Sermon's with Additions, being a Present to the Society.

(6.) Agreed that 2 of Dr Kennets Sermons, 4 New Accts of Schools, & 1 of Dr Stanhopes or Dr Willis's Sermons, be sent to each of the Correspondent-Members, as th Treasurer shall think proper

(7.) The Consideration of the Books mentioned in Mr Vaughans last Letter, is referd to the ~~Standing~~-Committee,

(8.) As also the Particulars of the Bp. of Herefords last Letter.

(9.) A Letter was read from Mr Turner of Mansell's-Hope, who teaches 18 Boys & Girls, & desiring a parcel of Bibles, &c. the Society Agreed to send him a p the Value not exceeding 15s.

1. August. 1706

Present Mr Shute, Mr Meller, Mr Chamberlayne; Mr Fox, the Secretary, Mr Edwards, Mr Stubs, Mr Postlethwait, Mr Skeate a Correspondent, Mr Hoare,

Mr Shute in the Chair.

1.) Agreed that 1. Min. of 23 of May last, be consider'd when Mr Bulstrode be present.

2.) Agreed that 10. Min. of 6 of June, be consider'd at a full Meeting.

3.) Mr Skeate Reported that he and Mr Gardiner have been lately at Windsor, where they found two Schools, the one for 31. Boys, & the other for 21 Girls, to which 120li p ann is Subscribed: & that 8li has been likewise given thereunto. as also, that the said schools are ~~supp~~ provided of very good Teachers.

4.) A Letter was read from Mr Bridges at Southampton, to Mr Chamberlayne, who signifies that there is some Likelyhood of Promoting a Charity-School both at Winchester & at Southampton: he desire's that a Parcel of books may be sent to Mr Hinton, ye Minister of Newbury in Berkshire, who' has promis'd to encourage a School in that Town; whereupon the Society Agreed that 12 New Accts & 12 Sermons, namely 4 of Dean Willis, 4 of Dean Stanhope's & 4 of A.D. Kennett's should be sent to him.

5.) Another from Mr Robt. Hales to Mr Hodges ~~Chamberlayne~~, dated from Dresden 25 June last; wherein, among other things, writes, that Mr Benthem the Superintendent in the Province of Lunenbourg (who has written the State of the Church of England,) sent him the Enclosed Paper of Queries, to the end that by the answers to them, he may the better make a Continuation of that History; & he desire's that some Learned Divine may be consulted upon them. Moreover, ~~he~~ Mr Hales says, that he is inform'd that the Roman Catholiques seduce many Muscovites to Popery, upon Pretence that the Difference between the Greek & Latin Churches is not Essential; ~~only~~ save that the Muscovites being named within the Pale of the Latin Church, render's them to be in a somewhat more safe way to Salvation. And that these Proceedings have incited some Moscovites to desire a Small Treatise demonstrating the Errors of the Roman Church, with regard to that of the Greeks. But Mr Hales would have this Treatise to represent ~~particularly~~ the true Protestant Religion, with those of the Greeks & Latines which when Composed, he will cause to be translated into the German, & from thence into the Muscovite Language; & so send it to the Governour of the Czar's Son, who with some others, would cause it to be Printed & dispersed.

Agreed that these two Particulars be taken into Consideration at next Meeting.

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8 August, 1706.

Present Mr Meller Mr Wilcocks, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Shute the Secretary, Mr Fox, Mr Melmoth, Dr Slare, Mr Hoare, Mr Nelson,

Mr Shute in the Chair

(1.) Mr Shute Read a Letter from Mr Bulstrode to himself; wherein Mr
400 thanks the Society for the great Parcel sent to him, who ha's distribute the
~~40~~ same according to their Intentions: Also that the Trustee for the House
Ware, or the Majority of them, are to meet on Wednesday next, in Order to Se
the Writings of the Sale of them. He also desires a small parcel of Books, w
the Society Agreed should be sent to him.

(2.) Another from Mr Serjt. Hooke to the same desiring a parcel of Books to
be sent to Mr Waight at Richmond in Yorkshire, in Order to be distribute
in that Archdeaconry, wherein there are about 200 Churches & Chapels: Wh
upon the Society agreed that a Parcel should be sent accordingly, the value
thereof not exceeding 5li; and the books to be regulated by Mr Treasurer.

(3.) Order'd that the Secretary do write to the Lord Bp. of Hereford, that as yet
there is butt little Encouragement for Printing the Comon Prayer in Wel
to which, or to the Bible, they did intend to ~~pre~~ annex the Singing Psalms;
and that he do write about the Homily-book in Welsh, according to the
min. of 5. Aug. in the Committees-book.

(4.) Mr Hoare Reported that at the Chappel in Great Queens-street in the Parish of St. Giles in ye there are
200 boys taught, by, and at the Expence of one Mr Baggsley; ~~to which~~
~~says he ha's not above 50 Guineas given as yet.~~

(5) Dr Stare Reported that at Seaforth in Sussex 20li ꝑ ann is subscribed to-
wards a School there.

(6.) Mr Fox moving the Society for a small parcell to disperse in Berkshire &
Bedfordshire: The Society Agreed that he should have a parcel not exceeding
10li. in Value.

(7.) Dr Millington was Elected a Residing Member of this Society, & Mr Fox to de-
sire his attendance,

(8.) A Proposal was made from the St. Comittee to the Society, for knowing their
Opinion, whether the List of Books to be Printed by the Society, shall take i
those books only, which are putt into the ComonPacket? or, all those, which h
been Occasionally dispers'd by them? the Society Agreed that all should be taken in;
refer'd it to the Comittee to consider of such books in the Little-Library
Corporation-Society, as may be proper to be taken in also, and make a Rep
of them back to the Society.

(9.) Upon a Motion made from the St. Comittee to the Society; Mr Nelson p
mised to lett the Society have what Number of the Fasts & Festivals th
shall desire, upon the next Impression of it, ~~according to the~~ at the sam
Rate as he shall agree with the Bookseller about it.

(11.) Agreed that the Paper of Queries mentioned in 5 Min. of the 1st. Instant, be
ferr'd to Mr Postlethwait.

(12.) As to the Treatise to be drawn up agst. the Papists with Regard to the Greek Chur mentioned in the 5th. Min. of 1 Aug. Mr Chamberlayne Reported that his Grace the Lord A.B. of Canterbury had read Mr Hales's Letter, and did take particular Notice of that Passage: and Mr Chamberlayne promised to lay that Matter before his Grace.

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15. August, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Nelson, Mr Edwards, Dr Slare, the Secretary: Mons. la Mothe, Mr Melmoth, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Hoare, Mr Moller.

Mr Shute in the Chair.

(1.) Mr Shute Read part of a Letter from Mr Waight, who is thankful for the Parcel designed him, & sends his Carriers direction.

(2.) Agreed, that if the remaining great Parcels cannot be disposed of to those Gentlemen for whom they were designed: ~~they shall be~~ within one month: they shall be given to others.

(3.) Dr Slare Reported that the Trustees have sold the Houses at Ware, (which Mr Neal did so Generously & Charitably bestow upon the Society,) for the Sum of 100 pounds. Of which 92li is already paid into the Hands of Mr Treasurer; 7 pounds remain's in the Hands of Mr Arthur Wyndus; & 20s. was given to the person who made the bargain. And the Society, after their Repeated Thanks to this Great Benefactor, did Agree that their Thanks shoud also be given to Mr Bulstrode, and the rest of the Trustees, for their great Care & Pains taken in this Affair.

(4.) Agreed that ~~500~~ 1000 of the Husbandman's Manual be bought at the Charges of this Society.

(5.) Letters were Read from Mr Sandford of Presteigne, Mr Loveling of Banbury, & Mr Portman of Maddresfield, all accepting the Correspondence. Mr Sanford farther writes that the Parish have procured a Room, with Shelves, for Books: and that some Books are already given, in Order to the fixing one of the Welsh Libraries there. Mr Loveling has procured upwards of 120li p an to the School at Banbury, which Subscription he hopes to advance. And Mr Portman write's for a Parcel of Books, to be paid for.

(6.) Others from Mr Henley of Melton-Mowbray & Mr Bocock of Colmer, in answer to ye Society's 2d General Letter. Mr Henley does not give his Carriers Direction, as was desired: and Mr Bocock describe's the state of the Charity Schools at Selbourn, where 36 Boys & 21 Girls are taught for something above 30li p ann; and at Alton where 37 Boys & 25 Girls are taught, the Subscription amounting to near 40li this year.

) Another from Mr Bradshaw of Namptwich, thanking the Society for the Parcel of Mr Walls Abridgements formerly sent to him; which have done much good, & desiring a Parcel of Books, to be paid for in part: The Society agreed to send him A parcel of such books desired by him, as they have, & Order'd the Secretary to lett him know, he may have the other of Mr Downing.

(8.) Another from Mr Talbott of Spofforth who has recd the Books he wrote for, & has obliged the Popish Priests in his Parish to promise before the Magistrate, that they will cease from perverting his Parishioners. That he will transmitt the Sermon he promised, desiring it may be carefully Corrected at the Press, & that he may have some Copies for his Friends. That he has Established a Meeting of the Clergy in his Neighbourhood, And finally proposes Mr Lightfoot of Odel in Bedfordshire for a Corresponding Member, whereby the Society may have his Discourses upon the Comon Prayer written by way of Question & Answer, which he thinks is better suited to Ordinary Capacities than any he has seen.

(9.) Another from Mr Jordon of Newland at large describing the State of the School there, where the Scholars are very numerous, and Benefactions, besides the Annual Subscriptions come in.

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22 August, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Woodcock, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Meller, Mr Fox, Mr Andrews, Mr Postlethwait, Mr Melmoth,

Mr Shute in the Chair,

(1.) Mr Shute ~~laid~~ produced a Treatise Entituled the Great Duty of Frequenting the Christian Sacrifice, composed by Mr Nelson; who being willing that the Society might have any Number of them at the Prime Costs: The Society, with their Hearty Thanks for his Favor, Agree to buy 1000 of them.

(2.) Mr Shute certified the Society that Mr Fenwick has remitted to him, his yearly Benefaction of 40li.

(3.) The Society agreed that a Parcel of Husbandman's Manuals, should be given to Mr Skeale & Mr Gardiner, upon their Desire.

(4) Mr Shute Reported from Mr Skeale, that he has received a Benefaction of 100li for Releasing Poor Prisoners; for Binding out Poor Children Apprentices; & for Relieving Poor Families.

(5.) Agreed that the Tracts Composed by Mr Nelson, as mentioned above, be bound in Sheepskin; and that Mr Nelson may have what Numbers of them he shall desire, Bound, ~~or Unbound~~, as he shall think fit.

(6.) A Letter was read from Mr Cleaveland of Bidley owning the Rect. of the Great Parcel; and farther certifying that one Mr John Drew has setled 10li p ann towa a School there, at a time when such a thing was not at all hoped for: which 10li is now made 20li, for the teaching of 40 poor Boys there, where now there is ho of Clothing many of them.

(7.) another from Mr Cooper of Great-bradley, who has procured a Meeting of the Clergy in his Neighbourhood, and obtaind Subscriptions for teaching about poor Children, tho' he fears some Subscribers may withdraw; and says they have a great want of Bibles, Comonprayers, Whole Duties of Man, &c. whereupon the Society agreed that one of the great Packets shall be given to him ~~[illegible]~~ them if any of the Gentlemen for whom they were designed, do not write hither in a months time.

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29. August. 1706.

Present Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, Mr Hoare, the Secretary: Mr Grave a Correspondent, Mr Meller, Mr Postlethwait,

Mr Shute in the Chair.

(1.) Mr Shute read a Letter from Mr Wayght, who therein shews that he is willing to correspond with this Society.

(2.) The Secretary was Order'd from henceforth to keep a Register of such Letters as he shall write upon the Societies acct.

(3.) Agreed that Mr Meller be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

(4.) Agreed that the small parcel of Books desired by Mr Middleton of Cuckfield to be paid for, be given to him; with some of Mr Scougals, Mr Nelsons, and other Tracts dispersed by the Society.

(5.) Agreed that Mr Grave, & others, have 6 of Mr Nelson's Christian Sacrifice.

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5. September, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Mr Chamberlayne, Sr Will Hustler, the Secretary: Mr Wall a Correspondent, Mr Hoare, Mr Meller, Mr Stubs, Mr Nelson, Mr Woodcock, Mr Postlethwait,

Mr Meller in the Chair,

(1.) Mr Treasurer Reported that he has this week recd 5li being the ~~yearly~~ benefaction of Mr De la Bere, for the last year. who was Order'd to be Thanked for the same.

(2.) Agreed that the New Books agreed upon to be dispers'd by the Society, be put into the 8 Great Parcels which remain to be sent, proportionably to those which are to be sent to the other Correspondents.

(3.) Agreed, upon the Motion of Mr Fox, that a Parcel not exceeding 30s. in value, be given to a Religious Society Meeting at Reading; the books to be chosen by Mr Shute & Mr Fox. And a like gift to be given to another Religious Society at Salisbury.

(4.) Agreed that 500 of Mr Ostervalds History of the Bible, be Reprinted, so, as to be conveniently bound with those Bibles which the Society disperses.

(5.) Mr Fox ~~told~~ acquainted the Society that, he hopes paper & Letter may be procured so,

as to Print the Society's Books & Papers uniform. This matter was Refer
Standing Committee.

(6.) Agreed that the Standing Comittee do Regulate the Number of the several Tracts which are designed to be sent to the Correspondents.

(7.) Agreed that 6 of each of the Sermons, & 12 of the Accounts of Schools be given to Mr Hinton of Newbury.

(8.) A Letter was Read from Mr Gibson of Welbourne to Mr Shute owning the Rect. of the Great Parcell lately sent to him. which he disposes of according to the Intention of the Society; & describes the Method taken by him in doing so. He gives a great Character of Mr Lisle of Gisboroughs Diligence, in the Discharge of his Ministerial Function. And farther sent a Bill of 5 Guineas, being the Benefaction of a Gen. unknown. The Society Agreed that he should be desired to give their Thanks to the Benefactor, ~~and~~ to accept of their Thanks himself.

(9.) Mr Skeat Reported, that at Sheffield the Subscriptions are advanced to 95li. 5s. 0. p an

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12. September, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Woodcock, Mr Meller, Mr Fox, Mr Brewster, Mr Shurmy a Correspondent. Mr Postlethwayt. Mr Edwards.

Mr Meller in the Chair.

(1.) A Letter was read from the Ld. Bp. of Chester to Mr Shute, returning thanks for ye Parcel sent to Mr Commissary Waynht, to disperse in the Archdeaconry of Richmund.

(2.) Another from Dr Fran. Hutchinson of Bury to Mr Shute, certifying that ~~they~~ now th have 3 Charity Schools in that Town, one for fourty Boys, and two for Girls. the Mistrisses whereof are to have 12li.10.00 apiece, p ann. The Fund is about 65li p ann, and they give each of the Boys a Cap & 2 Neckcloths, & to the Girls two Coifs apie He also thanks the Society for the Great Parcel.

(3.) Another from Mr Nelson to Mr Shute, desiring a small Parcel to disperse in a Charity School, at about Cranford in Middlesex, ~~where~~ to which a Lady of Quality allo 10li p ann. And the Parcel was accordingly sent.

(4.) Agreed that 1 of Mr Clarkes Essays, 2 of Mr Scougals Books, 2 of Mr Nelsons Christian Sacrifice, & 4 of Mr Welchmans Husbandmans Manuals be add to the Great Parcels that are yet unsent; and be likewise added to those b mentioned in the 6th Minute of 25 July last, which are to be sent to all the Correspondents.

(5.) It being Proposed that all Books which for the future shall be Printed, or Dispersed by the Society, should lie upon the Table at 4 Meetings Successively or propos'd afresh at each Meeti and be also During that time refer'd to the Examination of some particular Members; before ~~it~~ they be Appro by the Society: this matter was Agreed to be farther debated at a fuller Meeting.

6.) Agreed that all books which shall be Approved by the Society, be laid upon the Table for 4 Meetings Successively, that the Members of the Society may fa[illegible] themselves with them; and that the List of the Societies Books be Entred into the Secretaries Register.

(7.) A Letter was Read from Mr Wright of Oakham, giving his Carriers Direction.
Another from Mr Turner of Mansell-Hope upon the same Subject.
Another from Mr Astley of Molton-Moubray upon the same Subject.

(8.) Another from Mr Canon Gilbert of Plymouth upon the same Subject: who, also add's that Mr George Keith take's great pains in Convincing the Quakers in their Meetings, & in the Coffee-houses, &c. And in Confirming others against their Errors by Preaching in the Church, to the general Satisfaction of many there.

(9.) Another from Mr Bradshaw of Namptwich, who suffers much from the Anabaptists there. These Anabaptists have publish'd a Tract entituled an Answer to Mr Wall & Mr Bradshaw his Second, and are very insolent & Troublesome.

(10.) Another from Mr Sandford of Presteigne, in answer to the Societies Second General Letter.

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19. September, 1706

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Brewster, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Woodcock, the Secretary: Mr de la Mothe, Mr Fox, Mr Shuts, Sr Will Hustler, Dr Slare, Mr Richardson,

in the Chair

(1.) Agreed upon the Motion of Mr Shuts, that a Common Packet with the Additional Books be given to him for the Ld. Bp. of Ossory; and another of the same for the Ld. Bp. of Killaloo.

(2.) A Letter was read from Sr John Philipps to Mr Shute, proposing that the Heads of Self-Examination concerning the Breaches of our Duty, in the Whole Duty of Man; and another like Useful Instruction in Dr Horneck's Crucified Jesus, ~~[illegible]~~ which he calls A Catalogue of Sins forbid in the Gospel, with a Catalogue of Duties commanded in the Gospel; should be perused by some Divine, and from them, a Compleat Tract produced for the Use of the Poor Children in the Charity-Schools. He also proposes that Dr Lucas's Sermon upon these words, But as for me & my house, we will serve the Lord, should be revised & Enlarged by the Author, in Order to be sent to the Correspondents. And writes for a small Parcel, which was accordingly sent to him: & these Proposals referr'd to the Standing Committee.

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(3.) A Letter was Read from the Lord Bp. of Bangor ~~(to the Secretary)~~ who having [illegible] divers persons for Receivers towards the Welsh Libraries, that did not Answer; His Lordship again advises that Letters should be sent to Mr Maurice Jones Rector of Dolgelly in Merionethshire; & Mr Thomas Ingram Vicar of Llangorring in Montgomeryshire. His Lordship also thinks that A.B. Tillotsons Sermons is a fit book for ~~these~~ Standing Libraries.

(4.) Another from Dr Wynne the Chancellor of St Asaph, who is removed to Llangwytan in Anglesea, who will be ready to assist in promoting the good Design of the Welsh Libraries. He also sends his Direction by the Carrier.

(5.) Another from Mr Davies of Shrewsbury, who has retired from thence for the present, without opening the parcel lately sent to him; the Small Pox and other Distempers being rife in Shrewsbury. He setts forward speedily for Wales, where he will promote the Erecting of Libraries as far as he can.

(6.) Another from Mr Will. Smith Apothecary in Shrewsbury, who is appointed to receive any parcel Directed for Mr Humfreys of Harlech.

(7.) Another from Mr Edwards of Llyddiarth, who is removed to Llanvylling, who has recd the parcel lately sent to him; and approves of the Design of Erecting Standing-Libraries in Wales, the Books whereof he would have chosen by the Bishops, and also Rules & Orders to be fixed by them. He would have the Books Registred, and the Rural Deans empowred to visit the Libraries Annually. ~~and~~ He is willing to be a Receiver, and says that the Ld Bp. of St Asaph seemed very well pleased with the Letters sent about the Welsh Libraries.

(8.) Another from Mr Wyndham, certifying that the Lord Bp. of Llandaff does design to Confirm in his Approaching Visitation of his Diocese, and advises that a parcel of the Tracts of Advice before & after Confirmation may be presented him to distribute on this Occasion; which perhaps, may induce him to disperse ~~more~~ hereafter at his own Charge. Hereupon the Society Orderd half an hundred of each of these Tracts to be sent to his Lordship.

(9.) Another from Mr Reeves of Cranford who Answers to both ~~the~~ the General Letters formerl sent to him, and accepts the Correspondence. He also certifies, that a Lady pays fo the Education of more poor Children than are in his Parish; but that they being obliged to Travel to a distant Parish for Education, their Improvements have been enquired into. But now, there are Intentions to bring that School upon a better fo & agreable to the Method used in other Charity-schools. At Stanwel in Middlesex a Charity-School is proposed to be sett up for Boys & Girls to be taught by a Schoolmist who is to be paid out of the Offertory. The Boys to be placed in the Free-school at 8 yea ge, when the Parish will Clouth them; & the Girls to be taught to Spin, Knit, &c as well as to Read. There is also 20sh p ann given every Christmass to Poor House-Keepers; and the Trustees are of Opinion that there is a Power lodg'd in them, to divert it in a great measure to the Education of their Children.

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26. September, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute; Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Edwards, Mr Andrews, the Secretary: Mr Fox, Mr Skeate a Correspondent, Mr Melmoth, Mr Richardson,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair, Mr Meller being absent.

(1.) Agreed that the 5 Min. of the 12 of September, be consider'd at a full Meeting.

(2.) Agreed that 50 Proposals for the Welsh Libraries be put into each of the Parcels, that will be sent to the Receivers for those Libraries.

(3.) Agreed that Mr Chamberlayne be Chairman for the Month ensuing.

(4.) A Letter was read from Mr Bedford of Bristol to Mr Shute; certifying that his Book agst the Abuses of the Stage is now Printed: whereupon the Secretary was Order'd to tell him know, that the Society according to their Resolution of 14 March 1705/6 will take off as many as will come to 7 Guineas.

(5.) A Letter was Read from Mr Tanner of Norwich to Mr Shute, who writes for a great Parcel of Books to be paid for; and for an habit ~~&~~ for a Boy & a Girl, as the Poor Children are Clothed in the Charity-Schools in Town.

(6.) Agreed that with the Common Packet which is given to each Residing Member upon his Admission; another Packet containing one of each of the Tracts Occasionally Dispers'd by the Society, be added to it.

(7.) Agreed that 500 more of Mr Ostervald's History of the Bible, in All 1000: be Printed at the Charge of this Society, upon a large sort of Paper, in Order to be conveniently bound with the Bible & other Books.

(8.) Agreed that 25 of Mr Burketts Poor Mans Help, Bound: 100 of the Deplorable Condition of Prayerless Families: 100 Pastoral Letters; & 100 Histories of the Bible, be given to Mr Skeate to disperse among poor People lately Releas'd from Prison.

(9.) Agreed that 25 of Ostervalds Catechisms be given to Mr Skeate, to disperse among such Poor Boys as are about to be sett out Apprentices from the Charity-Schools.

(10.) Mr Fox moved that the Messenger when he attends each Residing Member for their Subscriptions do present them with a Copie of each of Books lately brought in to the Society, with 6 of the Welsh ~~subscriptions~~ Proposals, desiring them to disperse ~~the same~~ those ~~subscriptions~~ Proposals among the Booksellers of their Acquaintance.

(11.) A Letter was Read from Mr Middleton of Cuckfield relating to the Parcel of Books designed to be sent him by the Society.

(12.) Another from Mr Tho. Philipps of Oxford in Answer to the Societies 2d. Gen. Letter.

(13.) Another from Mr Commissary Waight of Richmond, who accepts the Correspond and intimates a Desire to be made a Justice of Peace in the North-Riding of York in order to the more Effectual Curbing & Punishing of Lewd & Profane Persons.

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(14.) Another from Mr Knight of Northwold accepting the Correspondence; who says he has promoted a Subscription sufficient to pay for the teaching 50 poor Children, which are all that that Town affords. He has also Printed a small book for the use of the School, & of Families, which is Generally made use of there.

(15.) Another from Mr Portman of Maddresfield, who writes that Mr Bar of Worcester is Deceased. That he long since formed a Society at Leigh for the Suppression of Immorality, which had a good effect; and hopes again to revive it.

(16.) Another from Dr Talbot of Spofforth, who writes that he has remitted up 5.l 2.s 6.d for the Books formerly sent him. He sent also with this Letter y MS. Sermon formerly Mentioned, to be Printed by the Printer to the Society, to whom he presents the Copy, with a desire of some Copies for his Friends. He sends also a Copie of Mr Lightfoot's Dialogue concerning the Common Prayer; and desires a Printed List of the Books Published or Dispersed by the Society. Mr Shute was desired to peruse the Sermon, & to give his Opinion of it to the Society.

(17.) Another from Mr Lightfoot of Odell accepting the Correspondence.

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3. October. 1706.

Present, Mr Shute Mr Nelson, Mr Woodcock, Mr Chamberlayne, the Secretary Mr Meller, Mr de la Mothe Mr Postlethwaite, Mr Edwards, Mr Fox,

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair.

(1.) When the Standing Committee do Consider upon the 2d. Min. of 19. Septem Agreed that they do also Consider of Mr Kettlewell's Measures of Christian Obedience & of Dr Gibson's Book upon the Sacrament.

(2.) Mr Shute Reported that Mr Hugh Fortescue will give a piece of Ground in Kilmersdon whereon an House for a Charity-School may be Erected; and that he (Mr Shute) has proposed to the Inhabitants that if they will provide the Materials, he will be at the Charge of paying Workmen.

(3.) Agreed that 1000 of the Welsh Proposals be Reprinted, 500 in fol. & 500 in as in the last Impression; but those in 4to. to be upon better Paper.

) Mr Shute Reported that he has read over Dr Talbotts Sermon, and finds it to be a very good one: and Mr Fox was desired to consider of the manner of ~~####~~ Printing it.

5.) A Letter was read from Mr Wyndham recommending Mr More of Newent for a Corresponding Member; & desiring 200 of *The Morning, Noon, & Evening Prayers used by poor Children in a School maintained at the Charge of a Society*.

(6.) Another, from Mr Cooper of Litton accepting the Correspondence.

(7.) Another, from Sr John Philipps, desiring that no books of Religion may be admitted into the Welsh Libraries, but what tend mainly to promote the Love of God above all Things, and our Neighbour as our selves. He comends Mr Burkitts Notes on the Evangelists, & wishes that the Poorer Clergy were furnished with them. He recommends Mr Wm Powel of Llangadock for a Receiver for the County of Brecon. And intimates that there are foundations laying for several Charity-Schools in ~~Carmarthenshire~~ Pembrokeshire. He wishes that Mr Whiston would abridge his Essay on the Revelation, which might be a good Antidote against Popery, and is of Opinion that the Abridgemt of the Pietas Hallensis does very well deserve to be translated into other Languages; and lastly, hints that the Book of Homilies was intended for an Assistant to the weaker Clergy, the 80th Canon providing that every Parish be furnished with one, as the Rubric commands to Catechise & read an Homily every Holy day. This Letter was Referd to the Standing Committee.

(8.) Another, from the Ld Bp of Llandaffe, who has recd the Parcel lately sent to him, which with the last before that, (as also such other books as the Society shall send him,) he will distribute at his Visitation of his Diocese in the Spring, and will then promote all the Societies Designs as far as he can. And also shews the Counties wherein his Diocese is contained.

(9.) Another, from Mr Bedford of Bristol, who promises to send to the~~ir~~ Society for their 7 Guineas, 151 of his Books against the Stage. And adds that a Petition to the House of Comons agt the Stage, may be procured, & signed by the Chief Inhabitants of Bristol.

10.) Another from Mr Middleton of Cuckfield, who is highly Thankful for the parcel lately sent to him. He will promote the Welsh Libraries as far as he can, & talks of bequeathing his own to them, after his decease.

(11.) Another from Dr Stanhope Dean of Canterbury, who says that the
~~412~~ posale for the Welsh Libraries, may probably find a time of being consider'd in such proportion as may be convenient for his Circumstances.

(12.) Another from Mr Hinton of Newbury to Mr Hoare, owning the Rec.t of the Parcel lately sent to him; and certifying that he has prevailed with that Corporation to settle 40li p anni, formerly applied to the Binding out Poor Children Apprentices, toward a Charity School; of which he recei 20li this Michaelmass, and hopes to raise as much more by Lady day next in Subscriptions, whereby a School may be sett up for twenty Boy To be taught, Clothed, & Bound out Apprentices.

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10. October, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Mr Fox, Mr Nelson, Mr Hoare, the Secretary. Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Woodcock, Mr Meller, Mr Bromfield, Mr Postlethwait.

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair,

(1.) Agreed that the 5. Min of 12 Sept. be consider'd at a full Meeting.

(2.) Agreed that 3000 more of the Welsh Propsals be Reprinted in folio. and that ten ~~two~~ be put into each Parcel which is to be sent to all the Correspondm

(3.) Mr Fox was desired to buy 25 of Mr Lightfoot of Odel's Dialogue, ag.st y next Meeting.

(4.) Mr Nelson acquainted the Society that in his hands, he has now a Ms Discourse against Drunkenness sent to him by a Clergyman, which may be the ~~the~~ Societies Copie if they think fit: The Society desired Mr Manningham & Mr Shute to ~~propose~~ peruse it.

(5) Mr Fox reported that Dr Talbott's Sermon will take up about 2 sheets in a Midling Twelves, which volume will agree with some others of the Societies Bo He was desired to take care of the Printing of it, in that Volume; the numb to be 1000.

(6.) Agreed that for the Future, all the little Books Printed at the Charge of this Society, shall be alike ~~as near~~ to the Mr Nelsons Christian Sacrifice, in respect of Letter, Paper, & Size, ~~as may be~~.

(7.) Mr Fox was desired to enquire after the Tract mentioned in 5 Min. of 3 Jun

(8.) Mr Meller Reported that Mr Fox has sent him 24 books for the Welsh Libraries. for which Mr Fox was thanked.

) A Letter was Read from Mr Hinton of Newbury, [illegible] upon the same Subject as Entred upon the last weeks minutes, no. 12.

(10) Another from Mr Morse of Newent, accepting the Correspondence; and farther certifying that by the Encouragement of Coll. Colchester, Mr Wyndham, & Mr Newton of Newent a Charity school is now sett up there, and advanced to 30 Children Boys & Girls. There is also in the same town a Monthly Lecture, which has been continued for above 12 Months.

(11.) Another from Mr Smyth of Shrewsbury owning the Receit of the parcels sent to Mr Humfreys of Harlech.

(12.) Another from Sr John Philipps dated Octob. 1. wherein he desires that the Table of Sins, found in The Common prayer-book the Best Companion from Pag. 74 to pag. 86. may be added to what is related from his Letter to Mr Shute, in the 2d. Min. of the 19th of September last. He recomends Mr Hugh Powel of Creek-howel in Brecknockshire, Mr Catlyne of Kerry in Montgomeryshire, & Mr Lewis of Towyn in Merionythshire for Receivers of Benefactions to the Welsh Libraries. He wishes that Mr Clark would enlarge ~~a little~~ upon what he has said concerning the Duty of Godfathers and Godmothers, in the first of his Practical Essays, pag. 19. He proposes that a good plain Spelling-Book may be added to the Societies Packet; and own's the Receipt of the Parcel lately sent to him. He says that the Accounts of Schools have done much good in those parts, and propose's that in the next Impression, the Heads of the several Paragraphs may be printed in the Margin. He also take's notice of a fault committed by those who Stitch the Societies Books, who do it slightly & carelessly, and oftentimes sew upon the print, so that the beginning of the lines are lost, & the sense spoiled. He desires that a smal parcel of Books may be sent to Mr Pember of Haverford-West, (whom he also Recommend's for a Correspondent,) and add's that the Town & County of Haverfordwest, by hearing of the Progress of Charity-Schools in London & elsewhere, have been Influenced to apply an Old Charity, lately recovered to this pious use: and thinks the parcel of Accts &c. which he write's for, may promote this ~~[illegible]~~ design. The Secretary was Order'd to write to the Gentlemen proposed for Receivers, &c. the Parcel to be accordingly sent to Mr Pember, when the books are procured, and the Remaining part of the Letter was Refer'd to the Standing Committee.

17. October, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute; Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Nelson, Mr Woodco
Mr Watson, Mr Fox, Mr Andrews, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Dr Mannin
ham, Mr de la Mothe, Mr Meller, Mr Melmoth, Mr Brewster, Mr Hoare, Mr Edwards,
Mr Postlethwayt

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair.

(1.) Mr Shute Reported that he has recd 151 books agst the Stage, sent
by Mr Bedford; & 'twas Agreed that they be bound in Calf.

(2.) Order'd that the Secretary do collect what minutes Relating to the Fren
Protestants, & lay em before the Society at the next Meeting.

(3.) Agreed that each Printed Treatise which for ye Future shall be Recommended to ye
Society, shall lie upon ye Table at yr Several Meetings & in such Number, as shall be Suffi
-cient to furnish all Gentlemen present. And shall be also Proposed afresh at every of the
4 Meetings. And every Book printed or Manuscript shall be recommended to ye Inspe
& Perusal of one of ye Resident Members, at 4 Subsequent Meetings; that is, to a diff
rent person at each Meeting. And no Book to be put into ye Society's Packet, or
otherwise Dispersed before it shall be thus Examined. This to be a Standing Order, & to
be Read when any New Book is Recommended to the Society.
Agreed that this Order do Supersede all Former Orders relating to this Matter.

(4.) Agreed that all Resident Members have a Packet given them at their Admission, which
shall contain all Books & Papers dispersed by the Society. And that all new Books
be carried them Quarterly by the Messenger. And this ~~[illegible]~~ to be a Standing Order.

(5.) The Poors Box being Opened, the Sum of £ 07. 08. 10. was found therein. an
deliver'd to Mr Skeate.

(6.) Mr Lightfoot of Odd's Dialogue. was Proposed the first time, and Dr Manning
ham was desired to peruse it.

~~(7.) The MS Discourse agst Drunkenness having been Perused by Dr Manningham~~

(7.) A Letter was read from Mr Dorrington of Wittresham who returns back
the Methodus Canendi Psalmos formerly sent to him, he having used a Way
which he likes better. His Tract about Psalmody will be longer than what
the Society desired, but will be, as he thinks, the more usefull. He will compar
the Psalm-Tunes formerly sent him, with Playford, whom he intends to ma
use of. He has preached a Sermon agst Gaming, which he hopes may be of gr
use. Which Sermon was refer'd to the Perusal of Mr Postlethwayt. And Mr Fo
was desired to buy 1 dozen of them agst the next meeting.

(8.) Another from Mr Gibson of Welbourne desiring a Parcel of Books to be p
for: which Books Mr Fox undertook to buy. [~~[illegible]~~]

24 October, 1706.

Present Mr Shute; Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Watson, Mr. ~~N Nels~~ Nelson, the Secretary: Mr Tailleur, Mr Fox, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Mellor, Dr Slare, (Mr Skeate a Correspondent.) Mr Gardiner a Correspondent,) Mr Edwards,)

Mr Chamberlayne in the Chair

(1.) Agreed that ~~thatt~~ Packets be sent away with all speed, & the Parcel of Welch Proposals be putt into them, as far as they will go.

(2.) Agreed that 250 of Mr Clarkes Essays be bought, that the Packets may be compleated.

(3.) Agreed that Mr Fox be putt in mind of the 5 Min. of 3 October last.

(4.) Mr Chamberlayne was desired to lay the Prayers Composed by the Order of the Corporation-Society, for the use of the Charity-Schools in the Plantations, before the Standing Comittee.

(5.) Mr Treasurer moving that his Accompts may be Audited; Agreed that they be Audited accordingly; the Auditors & Time of Auditing to be appointed at next Meeting.

(6.) Mr ~~Th~~ Mr Skeate Reported that the last Lords Day in the Afternoon, at Algate Church, was Collected the sum of 12^{l}.09^{s}.00^{d}.

(7.) Agreed that the Standing Orders of this Society be Revis'd by the Standing Committee, & from them presented to the Society in Order to a new Impression.

(8.) ~~Mr Shute Reported tha~~ Mr Lightfoot of Odells Dialogue was Propos'd the Second time, & was Referd to the Perusal of Mr Fox.

(9.) Mr Borringtons Sermon was Propos'd the 2d time & Referd to the Perusal of Mr Shute.

(10.) A Letter was Read from Mr Graves of Leeds to Mr Shute, certifying that that in his Neighbourhood there are two Charity Schools: in one, the Master teaches Gratis about 30 Children. In the other about 25 Children are taught Gratis, besides 12 who are paid for. And the Proficiency of these Children is so great as to make a great Impression upon grown People, whose Lives are considerably Amended thereby. He desires a parcel of Books for each of those Schools, which the Society agreed shoud be sent, by Mr Skeate, as he shall think fit.

1.) Another from Mr Bedford of Bristol to the same owning the Rect. of the 7. Guineas.

) Another from Mr Hughes of Kilmersdon to the same certifying that the Inhabitants are very willing to find Materials for building a Charity-School there.

~~Mr Chamberlayne Reports from the Standing Committee, that~~

(13) The Letter from Sr J. Philipps to Mr ~~Shute~~ mention'd in ye 2. Min of 19. Sept. 1706 being

~~[illegible]~~ Consider'd, they Agreed that Dr Slare or Mr Bulstrode ~~[illegible]~~ be desired to Discourse Dr Lucas abt revising

Sermon on these Words As for me & my house &c.

(14) As to ye other Part of Sr J. Philipps Letter abt ~~Self &~~ Heads of Self Examination, the Committee are of Opinion that the Consideration thereof should be Postpon'd 'til Sr John comes to Town; Agree'd also ye Dr Kettlewells Measures of Christian Obedience, Dr Gibson on ye Sacramt Mention'd in Min. of 3d October 1706, so far as they relate to ye Heads of Self-Examination, be considerd at ye same time.

(15) That Another from Sr J. Philipps to ye Secretary, Dated Octob. 1. being taken into Consideration they agreed that ye matter of Godfathers & Godmothers which Sr J. wishes were more fully treated off in Mr Clarkes Essays, be adjourn'd till there be ~~[illegible]~~ a new Edition of ye sd Essays & Mr Chamberlayne undertakes to discourse Mr Clarke about it. To which Report the Society Agreed, Except in this that the Society desire's that Mr Clarke will treat of the Duty of Godfathers & Godmothers in a Trait by it self.

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31. October, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Dr Manningham, ~~Dr [illegible]~~, Sr John Philipps, Dr Bray, Mr Meller, Mr Fox, Mr Nelson, Mr Tailleur, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Hoa Mr Postlethwayt, Dr Slare, Mr Brewster, Mr Edwards, Mr Vernon,

Sr ~~[illegible]~~ in the Chair

(1.) Agreed that Sr Humfrey Mackworth be Chairman for the Month Ensuing.

(2.) A Letter was read from Mr Barry Love of Yarmouth promising (from his Friend) a Benefaction of 10li

(3.) Another from Mr Cotton to Mr Shute, promising the Benefaction of 1 Guinea, and that it will be paid Annually.

(4.) Another from Mr ~~Shut~~ Tanner of Norwich to Mr Shute, owning the Recet of the Parcels sent to him; and certifying that he ~~shall~~ will endeavor hinder the Players setling the Winter in Norwich, as they did the last. Whereupon the Society Order'd him 6 of Mr Bedfords books agt the

(5.) Mr Shute propos'd that the Case of Restitution briefly Stated, may be Dispers'd by the Society: and it was Referr'd to the perusal of Mr Postlethwayt for the first time.

(6.) Sr John Philipps Reported that there is now a Foundation laid for 6 Charity Schools in Wales; two of them are Actually Open'd; and he expects to hear of the Opening of the other 4 in a Short time.

(7.) Mr Fox Reported from the Standing Committee, that 'tis their Opinion that such Books as are Mentioned in Mr Hawes's Catalogue, and are not in the Societies Packet, should be bought, in Order to be perused, that such as are proper may be bought, & Inserted into the Societies Catalogue which is Intended to be Printed. Agreed that Mr Fox be desired to buy or procure these books agt next meeting

Agreed that the Treasurers Accompts be Audited on Monday morning next at 9 a clock, and that Sr. John Philipps, Mr Nelson Mr Moller, Mr Edward Dr Slare, Mr Fox, Mr Brewster, Mr Palmer, Mr Chamberlayne or any three of them be desired to Audit the same, and make their Report at next Meeting

) Mr Lightfoot of Odell's Dialogue was Propos'd the 3d. time, & Refer'd to the Perusal of Mr Postlethwayt.

.) Mr Borrington's Sermon was Propos'd the 3d. time, & Refer'd to the Perusal of ~~Mr~~ Dr Bray.

1.) Mr Skeate Reported that in the Parish of St. Mary Overy a Subscription is on foot for a Charity-School, and 38£ already subscribed.

2.) A Letter was Read from Mr Wright of Oakham, owning the Rect. of the Great, & of the last Parcells, which have been lately sent to him.

13.) Another from Mr Cowper of Great-Bradley, who has recd the last Parcel; and likewise another from Mr Woodcock, whose Direction he wants; and promises to send up an Acct. of his progress in the Societies Designs.

14.) Another from Mr Portman of Maddresfield owning the Rect. of the Parcel of Books he wrote for, and promises to return up the Money. He talks of putting out some Poor Children to School, and of furnishing others with Books; of which he will write more hereafter.

15.) Another from Mr Loveling of Banbury, in answer to the Societies 2d. Gen. Lre; but without his Carriers Direction.

16.) Another from Mr Harrison of Stanton, owning the Rect. of the Parcel of Books & Papers lately sent to him. And touching the Ld Bp. of Landaffe's Visitation of his Diocese, which advices are already superseded.

17.) Another from Mr Jorden of Newland, owning the Rect. of 4 Parcels or Packets from the Society.

18.) Another from Mr L'Isle of Gisborough, owning the Rect. of the Great Parcel; and farther certifying that he often communicates to Mr Gibson of Welbourn, that which he would have the Society apprised of, which way he thinks the least troublesome to the Society.

19.) Another from Mr Haynes of Catestoke, accepting the Correspondence. He has Endeavor'd to sett up a Charity-School there, at his own Motion & Expence, (which is sometimes 10£ p ann) but cannot say he has yet mett with that Encouragement he hoped for. He also Recommends Mr Sloper Chancellor of Bristol to the Correspondence.

0.) Another from Mr Canon Gilbert of Plymouth, owning the Rect. of the Great; & of the last Parcel, lately sent to him.

1.) Another from Mr More of Newent, Concerning the Charity-School there, of which he promises a farther Account; and writes to the same purpose as in his first.

2.) Another from Mr Catlyn of Kerry, who excuses himself from Receiving Benefactions

416 to the Welsh Libraries in Montgomeryshire, Party being in the Dioces of
~~418~~ St Davids, & the rest of the County, mostly in that of St Asaph. But he Recom
the Revd. Mr Maurice Vaughan, & some other Considerable Clergymen to that Tru
The Secretary was Order'd to write again to Mr Catlyn, & aquaint him that the
Society do not accept ~~a the~~ of his Execur, &c. and also to write to Mr Maurice Vaugh
as soon as he can procure his Direction.

(23.) Another from Dr Wynne the Chancellor of St Asaph, who has recd the Grea
& the Last Parcel lately sent to him, and promises to promote the Affair
of the Welsh Libraries as far as he can.

(24.) Another from Mr Knight of Northwolde, in Answer to the Society's Second Gen
Letter: and certifying that the Clergy thereabouts do design to form themselves into
a Society.

(25.) Another from Mr Love of Yarmouth, shewing that a friend of his has put 10li
more into his hands, to be disposed of by the Society: For which the Society Or
der'd them their Thanks.

(26.) Another from Mr Jones of Dolgelly in Merionethshire, who is Willing to be a Receiver for the Welsh
Libraries. He saies Dolgelly is a very large Town & abounds with Poor. But that
the County hath not yet reach'd the Building of an house of Correction, tho' the Magi-
strates have long designed it, & are obliged by Law to do such a Thing. The Secretary
was Order'd to desire of him his Carriers Direction, in Order to the Sending a Par
for him to distribute among the said poor people.

(27.) Another from Mr Thibs, thanking the Society for their late gift of Dr Gibson's Family Pray
which he has distributed, with good Effect, in the Royal Hospital at Greenwich. He
adds that the Bp. of Ossory is thankful likewise for the parcel given to him by the
Society, and that his Lordship will deliver the other to the Bp. of Killaloe upon h
Arrival in Ireland.

(27) Mr Skeate deliver'd in an acct. of the Disposition of the Money taken out of the Poore Box after Mi somer last, whereby 28 poor Families were Relieved, & [illegible] Released; which Acct was Read.

7. November, 1706.

Present, Sr John Philipps, Mr Sheets, Mr Watson, Mr Trollope, Mr Taille
Mr Brewster, Mr Nelson, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Postlethwayt, Mr Edwards, Dr Slar
Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Skeate a Correspondent, Mr Vernon,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, in the Absence of S. H. Ma w

(1.) Mr Fox produced the small Tract mentioned in the 5th Min. of 3 October last;
said that 'tis so far out of Print, as that none of them can be got.

(2.) Agreed that the above-written Tract, and the Prayers Composed by Order of ye Corporation, & those used in the Ch. Schools in Cambridge, be referr'd to the Standing Committee,

(3.) Sr John Philipps Reported that the Committee had amended the Copie of the Stand
Orders, which was laid before them; and the Standing Orders as so Amended were Read

over: and some other Amendments were made by the Society to them, and the Paper was Order'd to be Printed; the number of Copies to be 100.

A Letter was Read from Mr Jenner to Mr Shute, importing, that he with the Assistance of the Clergy of Nottingham, is setting on foot a Subscription for a Charity-School there, and has a prospect of Good Success. In Order to promote this Design, he desires a parcel of the Accts of Schools, & Sermons. And also a few Accts to be sent to Mr Henley of Melton-Mowbray, where the Gentlemen thereabout intend to meet in Order to the setting up a Ch. School. Mr Jenner was Order'd to be Thanked, and Parcels to be sent to him, & to Mr Henley, according to Mr Treasurer's Discretion.

5.) Mr Shute Reported that he has recd the 10li from Mr Love of Yarmouth, for which he was Order'd to be Thanked.

6.) Sr John Philipps Reported that 24li p ann is actually subscribed, as a Foundation for those 6 Schools, mentioned in 6. Min. of 31 Octob. last.

7.) Mr Thrale Reported that the Subscription to the Schools at St Mary Overies, amounts to 45li.00.00. p ann

8.) Agreed that one of Mr Bedfords Books be finely bound in Red Turkey Leather, in Order to be presented to Her Majesty.

9.) Sr John Philipps Reported that the Comittee had Audited Mr Treasurer's Accounts, which they found very exactly & faithfully Kept; and that the Ballance in his Hands was 29li:01:10½ Whereupon the Society gave Mr Treasurer ~~his~~ Their Thanks for his Care & Pains.

10.) Mr Fox Reported that he had bought the Books mentioned in Mr Hawes's Catalogue, and laid them before the Standing Committee, who have made some progress in the Perusal of them.

11.) Mr Lightfoot of Odel's Dialogue was Referr'd to Mr Shute for the 4th Time.

12.) ~~Mr Dorringtons Sermon~~

14. November, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, Sr John Philipps, Mr Foster of Deverel, & Mr Philipps of Oxford Correspondents, Mr Nelson, Mr Palmer, Mr Tailleur, Sr Humfrey Mackworth, Mr Chamberlayne Mr Wall a Correspondent, Mr Woodcock, Mr Reynolds of Horsham a Correspondent Mr Fox Mr Andrews, Mr ~~Postlethwayt~~ De la Mothe, Mr Watson, Mr Meller, Mr Hoare, Mr Postlethwayt Mr Stubs, [illegible] Hoare, Mr Melmoth,

Sr Humfrey Mackworth ~~John Philipps~~ in the Chair.

1.) Agreed that Mr Dorringtons Sermon, be for the 4th Time, Referr'd to Mr Foster,

2.) Sr John Philipps Reported from the Committee, that they had made some ~~A~~ Alterations ~~Amendments~~ to the Prayers referr'd to them; and the Prayers being Read, They were Approved by the Society, & Agreed to be Printed, Provided that the Corporation-Society do give their Consent thereunto; the Number to be 6000: & Mr Fox undertook to take Care of the Printing, Sr John Philipps being desired to move it to the Corporation.

(3.) Sr John Philipps Reported that the Committee had almost gone thro' the Ca- ~~[illegible]~~ talogue of Books & Tracts refer'd to them, of which Mr Meller laid a Cop before the Society, and he was, (with the Thanks of the Society) desired to P the same.

(4.) The Tract about Prohibition, was Refer'd for the 3th time, to Mr Stubs.

(5.) A Letter was Read from Mr Hutton of Nayland in Suffolk to Mr Brewster Accepting the Correspondence; and Proposing the Erection of a Charity-Scho or Workhouse there, for the Benefit of the Poor. The Society Agreed to Ap Given 5li (being part of the 20li ~~being~~ brought into this Society by Mr Hoare for promoting the Design of Charity-Schools) ~~be deliver'd be given~~ to Mr Brewster, as a Foundation for the Erection of a Charity-School there.

(6.) Mr Lightfoot of Odell's ~~Letter~~ Dialogue concerning the Common-prayer, having been Perused by 4 of the Resident-Members was Approved, & 1000 of th to be Printed at the Charge of the Society.

(7.) A Letter was read from Mr Commissary Waite of Richmond, who proposes very many Gentlemen for Correspondents, and shews many poor Parishes in the North where the Society's Books & Papers are much Want The Society Refer'd the Consideration of this Letter to the Standing Committee, and they to make their Report at next Meeting.

(8.) Mr Skeate Reported that The Subscriptions in St Mary Overeys toward a Ch. School there, are now advanced to 70li p Ann.

(9.) Also that another Ch. School is Erecting in St Olaves Southwark, for 40 Girls; the Mistress being already Chosen.

(10.) Also, that he has lately Received a Promise of 30 Guineas from a Memb of this Society, for the Placing out of Poor Children Apprentices. Each of whom is to have 1 Bible, 1 Comonprayr book, and a Whole Duty of Man

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21. November, 1706.

Present, Mr Shute, (Mr Foster a Correspondent,) Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Watson, Mr Fox, Dr Br Mr Gerrard, Mr Chamberlayne, Mr Brewster, (Mr Philipps a Correspondent,) Mr Edwards, Mr Meller, Mr Stubs, Sr John Philipps, Sr Rich. Bulkeley a Correspondent, Mr Hoare,

Sr John Philipps in the Chair, Sr Humfrey Mackworth being absent.

(1.) Agreed, that Mr Bedford's Book against the Stage, upon it's coming from Binding, be sent to Mr Chamberlayne, in Order to be presented to her Majesty

(2.) A Letter was read from Mr Wright of Oakham to Mr Shute, ~~con~~ concerning the remittance of 5 Guineas, given by Mr Wright, (either the Whole, or in part,) to the Promoting of Libraries in Wales. And Mr Shute owned the Rect of the y; which was Agreed to be applied totaly towards promoting the [illegible] raries; and Mr Wright was Order'd the Thanks of the Society.

3.) Dr Lucas's Sermon's upon these 2 Texts, (1.) But as for me & my House, &c. & (2) He that walketh with Wise Men shal be Wise; were refer'd for the first time to Mr Fox.

4.) Agreed that Mr Dorringtons Sermon about Play. be for ye. last time Refer'd to Mr Stubs,

5.) Mr Philipps reported from Sr John Philipps that the Corporation-Society do consent to the Reprinting of the Prayers (mention'd in Min. 2 of 14 Nov. ~~last~~) with the Alterations made by this Society.

6.) Agreed that the Case of Restitution be Refer'd for the fourth time to Mr Fox

7.) Agreed that Mr Patrick son to the Ld. Bishop of Ely, be a Corresponding-Member of this Society upon the Motion of Mr Shute.

8.) Mr Edwards Acquainted the Society that Mr Chamberlayne has settled 10li p annū of Inheritance upon the Town of Chelsea; 5li for the Education of ~~three~~ five Poor Children for one year & the other 5li for the Putting out of Poor Children Apprentices.

9.) Sr John Philipps Reported from the St. Committee, that they had desired Mr Chamberlayne to Consult Sr Will. Hustler, & Mr Gibson of Welbourne concerning the Characters of the Gentlemen mention'd in Mr Waite's Letter; and also about the Places of their Residence.

10.) Also that Mr ~~Chamberlayne~~ Clarke ha's drawn up a Discourse concerning the Duty of Godfathers & Godmothers, by its self; which he is very willing to communicate to the Society, & submitt to their Judgement.

11.) A Letter was Read from Mr Canon Gilbert of Plymouth, owning the Recd. of the Great Parcel, which he will dispose of according to the Intention of the Society. He Adds that ~~they~~ are endeavoring to get an Act of Parliament for the Poor, like that at Exeter & Bristol, & then hope's to see some of the Society's Tracts sent for by the Trustees, & a good use made of them in the Education of Children there. He thinks some of the Society's Little Tracts, agt. Swearing, &c. would be more us'd if Bound up with some others, as Dr Brays Pastoral Discourse: for he ha's heard, that some of them which he distributed among the Seamen in the Hospital, serv'd them to light their Pipes with. Lastly, he believes that Lending Libraries in those parts, would enable some of the poorer Clergy the better to instruct their Parishioners: which Lre was Refer'd to the Standing Committee.

12.) Two Letters were Read from Mr Shaw of Atherston, who Accepts the Correspondence; ~~and farther~~ (being proposed by Dr Bray:) he adds that one Mr Strong and Himself have paid for the teaching of 16 poor Children in the Parish of Baxterly, in Warwickshire, for one half year; ~~but being not able~~ the Children being well taught, brought Regularly to the Parish Church, & Catechised, &c. He hope's for other Benefactors to this Charitable purpose; but finding

None at Present, and being loth the School should fall, he desires that the Soci
allow somewhat toward its support; He also seems to desire some good Books f
the Poor of the Town of Atherstone. The Secretary was Order'd to write to
him for more Particulars relating to the School at Baxterly; to collect the Mi
nutes together which relate to the Society's Supporting Charity Schools, and t
the Benefaction of Mr Hoare's Friend, & to Consult with Mr Hoare there up

(19.) Another from Mr Hutton of Nayland, to the same purpose as in that mentioned Min. 5. of the 14th Instant

1706. Oct.17. Mr Lightfoot of Odds Dialogue refer'd to Dr Maningham, for hime 1st
to Mr Fox, hime 2. 8ber 24.| to Mr Postlethwayt hime 3. Oct.31 || Mr Shuts hime 4. 7. Nov. || Rpt 428
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31. Oct. 1706. the Case of Restitution briefly Stated Refer'd to Mr
Postlethwayt. || to Mr Shubs hime 3d. Nov.14 || qu. hime 2d. || to Mr Fox hime 4th. Nov.21.||
~~mix.9. Mr Lightfoot of Odds Dialogue to Mr Postlethwayt~~
10. Mr Dorringtons Sermon to Dr Bray. 3. no Report || to Mr Shubs Nov.21.
Mr Foster 4. (Nov.14.1.)
~~24 Oct.9.) Mr Shaw 2. ||| Mr Postlethwayt 1. (Oct.17.7.)~~

21. Nov. Dr Lucas's 2 Sermons to Mr Fox.||

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Durham. 1704/5. January 25.|1705/6 Jan. 31. near Durham.)
Dublin 1704/5. February 8.|1705. Aug. 2.|1705/6 Mar. 14.|
Redriffe. 1704/5 February 8.
Epworth. 1704/5. March. 1.|15.|
St. Brides. 1705. Apr. 5.|12.|
Deverel. 1705. Apr. 26.|1706. May 30.|
Horncastle 1705. May 17.
Sheldon. 1705. May 24.
Worcester. 1705. May, 24. 1706. Apr. 18.
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Embledon. 1705. Jun. 28.
Hamstead. 1705. Jul. 5.|19.|Aug. 2.|16.|Sept. 6.|20.|Oct. 4.|18.|Nov. 1.|15.|29.|Dec. 13.|27.|— Jan. 10|
Wirkworth in Derbysh. 1705. Jul. 5.
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Charity Schools.

Shoreditch

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~~Oxford. 1705. Jul. 26.|Aug. 2.~~| a School in Carmarthenshire. 1705/6. Febr. 21.

Miners in Cardiganshire. 1705. Jul. 26.

~~Dublin. 1705. Aug. 2.~~

Carmarthen. 1705. Sept. 6.|

Nottinghamshire Schools as Establishing. 1705. 13 Sept.|

Leeds. 1705. Sept. 13.|Dec. 13.|20.|1706. May. 2.|

Tunbridge. 1705. Sept. 13.|

Broad-Hinton. 1705. Sept. 20.|Nov. 1.|Dec. 27.|

Bristol. 1705. Oct. 4.|18.|Nov. 1.|5.|22.|Dec. 6.|1705/6. Jan. 31.|Febr. 7.|

Lewes. 1705. Oct. 4. Nov. 15.|

Selbourn in Hampsh. 1705. Oct. 11.|1706. Aug. 15.|

Alton, in Hampsh. 1705. Oct. 11.|1706. Aug. 15.

Battle.
. . . . } 1705. Oct. 11.|1705/6. Mar. 7.|

Newport-Pagnell. 1705. Nov. 1.|

Appleby in Leicestersh. 1705. Nov. 1.

Worthallam. 1705. Nov. 1.

Spondon. 1705. Nov. 1.

Sheffield. 1705. Dec. 20.|1706. Sept. 5.|

Epsom (1705. Dec. 20. and about 6 Schools in Hampshire)

Mansells-hope. 1705. Dec. 20.|1705/6. Jan. 17.|31.|

Spofforth. (1705. Dec. 20. with 5 other Schools.) 1706. Apr. 18.

Margam. 1705. Dec. 27.|

Newcastle upon Tine. 1705/6. Jan. 10.|Mar. 14.|1706. Apr. 18.|May 2.|

St. Neots. 1705/6. Jan. 17.|24.|Mar. 14.

Canterbury. 1705/6. Jan. 24.

~~Maidston. 1705/6. Jan. 24.~~ Sunderland. 1705/6. Jan. 31.

Newland. 1705/6. Jan. 31.|1706. Aug. 15.

Hewnby in Yorkshire. 1705/6. Febr. 13. 14

Wisbeech. 1705/6. Febr. 21.|Mar. 14.|

Wotton-under-Edge. 1705/6. March. 7.|

Windsor, Winkfield, &c. in Berkshire. 1705/6. March 14.|28.|

Nottingham. 1705/6. March. 14.|28.|1706. Nov. 7.|

Ripley. 1705/6. Mar. 14.|

Lambeth. 1705/6. Mar. 14.|

Stamford. 1706. Apr. 18.|

Wittresham, (& hard by.) 1706. Apr. 18.

Lidd. 1706. Apr. 18.|

Yarmouth. 1706. Apr. 18.|

Wendover. 1706. Apr. 18.|

Hallaton. 1706. May 2.|

Bury St. Edmonds. 1706. May. 9.|Sept. 12.|

Kirkby Beighton. June 27. 1706.

Norton-Folgate. 1706. July. 11.|

Winchester. 1706. Aug. 1.|

Southampton. 1706. Aug. 1.|

Newbury. 1706. Aug. 1.|

Seaforth. 1706. Aug. 8.

Oldsley. 1706. Aug. 22.|

Great Bradley. Aug. 22. 1706.|

Cranford. 1706. Sept. 12.|19.|

Northwold. 1706. Sept. 26.

Newbury. 1706. Oct. 3.|10.|

Nrwent. 1706. Oct. 10.|31.|

Haverford-west. 1706. Oct. 10.

St. Mary Overey. in Southwark. 1706. Oct. 31.|Nov. 14.

Melton-Mowbray. 1706. Nov. 7.|

Stoke-Neyland. 14 Nov. 1706.|

Charities given, or promis'd to the Society.

June. 8. Mr Dean of Lincoln allows the Society to print his late Sermon about Schools.
July 13. Some Ground Rent from [illegible] Houses in Gloucester County
Sept. 14. Mr Ramseys dyers friend gives 5li to the Society.
28. Mr Neals houses at [illegible] 12 & 13 number
Oct. 19. Mr Gibsons two friends give 6 Guineas to the Society.
26. Mr Blackwell gives 2 Guineas to the Society.
Nov. 9. Mr Shutes House is made the place for the Societies Meetings.
Dec. 28. Mr Shutes friend gives 2li. 10s. to the Society.
Feb. 8. Mr Gibsons Friend gives 5 Guineas to the Society.
15. Mr Varlo gives 30s to the Society.
22. Mr Crookes gives 10s to the Society.
Mar. 1. The A.B. of York promises to let the Society have an Impression of his Sermon. (vid. 1 Mar. before)
Mar. 22. Mr Cottons friend gives 1 Guinea to the Society.
Apr. 5. Mr Shutes friend gives 5li to the Society.
26. Mr Melmoths friend gives 10 Guineas to the Society.
Aug. 16. Mr Fenwick gives 40s to the Society.

1 Nov. 500. Bibles & 800 Com. Prayer.

Orders to be observ'd by the Society.

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3. Febr. 25. + The Standing Orders to be Printed. vid. 4 March & 11 March. 18 March.

May. 13. + A competetent Number of the Societies Books & Papers, always to lie on ye Table.

June, 10. + When a number of Members sufficient to make a Quorum are met, the Chairman to call upon them to attend the business of the Society.

24. The Second General Letter ~~[illegible]~~ Alter'd.

Octob. 21. + The Agents to certifie to the Society the Names & Qualifications of such Boys bred up in ye Charity-Schools, as excell the Rest in pregnancy of Parts.

Nov. 18. a Paragraph inserted into the second General Letter.

Dec. 23. What Charges any Member of this Society shall be at in promoting the Designs, or carrying on the Business of this Society, by the Direction thereof, shall be reimburs'd them by the Society.

Quarterly Dinner of the Society propos'd. 30 Dec. 6 Jan. 1703. Jan. 20. 27. and had, 3 Febr. 1703/4.

3/4 February 3. The Society will not engage in any Act of Charity, unless the Money necessary for defraying it be already due to the Treasurer.

The Society will not Order any money to be paid by the Treasurer, unless it be actually in his Hands.

04 March. 30. No business to be done, if there be not a Quorum by 5 a Clock.

April. 27. + That Mr Downing do not Publish any Paper which he receives from the Society to Print, but by the Directions thereof.

05 (1705 Sept. 13) That for the future, the Approbation of Residing Members of this Society be made by Balloting; as also the Determination of such Questions as the Society shall think fit to decide that way.

+ (Nov. 1.) That the Names of such Gentlemen as shall propose any others for Residing or Corresponding Members of this Society, shall upon their Election or Acceptance be Entred into the Minutes.

05/6. (17. Jan.) That those who are proposed, for residing Members of the Society, be not apprised of it, till after their Election.

+ (24. Jan.) That there be a Summons of all the Resident Members of the Society, before any new Book or Paper be Order'd to be putt into the Packett.

704. Decemb. 7. + The Members of the Society to have Dr Willis's Sermons, as they please.

04/5. Janry. 25. No Tract to be putt into the Packet, before it be Examin'd & Approv'd by the Society.

Mar. 15. + No more of Mr Masons sermons to be bought at present.

Vid. 2 more Standing Orders, in 3 & 4 Minutes of 17 October, 1706. concerning the Inspection of Books & Tracts recommended to the Society; and furnishing the Resident Members with all such Taken in by the Society.

06. Dec. 19. + (Min. 10) Agreed that when any little Tract is to be perused by the Members of the Society (tho' it be Bound up with other Tracts, it shall be Bought, and after the Perusal finished, it shall be given to the Welsh Libraries.

Memorandt. omitted in their place above.

1705/6. Feb. 14. Standing Orders referr'd to ye Comittee in order to be printed.

21. Standing Orders approv'd & order'd to be printed.

1706. Octr. 24. Standing Orders to be revised by ye Com.

resent Mr Frank Mr Shute, Serjt Hook Mr Hodges

17 Decemb. 1701

Agreed by the Comittee that ~~Dr Bentley be the Correspondent for Cambridge~~

For Berkshire quere a Correspondent for Abingdon Farrindon, Newbury & Wantage in the Center . qu. Mr Nevil.

For Bedfordshire Mr Brown of Arlsey Mr Fowler of Blunham.

For Buckinghamshire qu. for Ellesborough near Aylsbury. Mr Wilmore

For Cambridgeshire Dr Bentley. for Ely. qu. the Bp.

For Cheshire qu. for Macclesfield.

For Cornwall qu. for Truro & Lanston.

For Cumberland qu. for Cockermouth.

For Darbyshire qu. for Chesterfield, also the Bp. of L. & C.

For Devonshire qu. Barnstaple or Bidiford

For Dorsetshire qu. Dorchester, Sturmister or Blanford and Shaftsbury. qu. the Bp of Bristol

For Durham qu. ~~the minister of Durham~~

For Essex. Dr Woodward to write to Mr Burnet.

Mem: Chelmsford & Harwich. Chelmsford qu: Bat.

The Bp to be applied to for Herefordshire.

The Society for Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

1. May. 5. A rough Draught of the Charter was Read.

12. The A.B. of Canterbury promises to give 20 Guineas towards the Charges of ye Charter.
Mr Brewster & Mr Bulstrode to Sollicit the Grant thro' the Offices.

26. The Society Resolve's to advance ~~such money~~ upon the Credit of this Corporation
such moneys as shall be wanting for the payment of their Charter.
Mr Bromfield Advances 20l. upon their Credit.
The Arch B. of York's gift to the Society applied to this Use.

June 9. The King in Council Signs the Order for the Charter.
The Society upon the Credit of the Corporation advances 20l.
Mr Serjt. Hooke advances 10l. upon their Credit.

23. The Charter under ye great Seal of England laid before ye Society.
The Society desire the A.B. of Canterbury to call a Meeting of the Corporation.
The Society order Mr Whitings & Mr Mackburnies Bills to be Considered.

30. The Corporation Summon'd, & made Choise of their Officers.
Mr Whitings & Mr Mackburnies Bills, refer'd to ye Auditors of ye Corporation.

1702. May. 14. The Society desire to know whether ye Corporation will Correspond w.th ye Swiss Churches.
28. The Society move the Corporation to ~~Audit~~ Review Dr Bray's Accounts.
They intend to persuade the Corporat.n to Correspond with ye Swiss Divines.

July. 9. The Accompt of the Money lent to the Corporation Order'd to be Audited.

Octob. 22. Divers Original Papers & Letters referd to ye Corporation. (4. Jun. 1702.) 1 Apr. 1703. 11 Nov.

702/3. Jan. 14. They Agree to move the Corporation that a Standing Committee may be appointed to manage ye Domestic foreign Correspondence

April. 22. The Corporation refer some Letters to their Comittee at St Pauls.

March 16. Mr Barnabas Oley's Legacy of 40l. p anm mention'd. March. 23. 30.

704. Nov. 16. 4l. remitted to Mr Shultz by Mr Turner of Stamford.

Plantations.

01. April. 21. 200 Papers against Uncleañess & Drunkeñess delivered to Dr Bray to be dispersed in Mary Land & Virginia.

June. 30. Dr Brays Debt order'd to be Consider'd.

July. 21. Dr Bray's Debt Resolv'd to be reduc'd to 200^{l}.

Mr Trymmer's or any others mony advanc'd to pay this debt, to be repaid, out of the first quarterly subscriptions.

Aug. 5. 200 Dutch Books given to Dr Bray to send to New-York.

Octob. 28. The old Subscription to the Plantations order'd to cease, and a New one to be drawn up. v. Nov. 4. Nov. 11.

Nov. 4. The Circular Letters appointed to be alter'd in those places touching the Plantations. vid. Nov. 11.

Mr Hoot's share in the Mine Adventure Order'd to be sold, & the mony paid to Dr Bray. Nov. 18. vid. Nov. 11.

Novemb. 11. Dr Bray sell's the Kings Grant relating to Hollinshead & Nedderley, & quits the Society of 53^{l}. 7^{s}. 6^{d}.

Dr Bray's Debt resolv'd to be farther consider'd.

18. It is reported to amount to 200^{l}.

Decemb. 29. The Secretary Order'd to write to Sr Rich. Bulkeley about the 20^{l} p an. which he promis'd to appropriate to the Plantations.

1700/1. March. 17. The Society allow'd ye Lord Bp. of Chichester to dispose of 8£ p an in his Diocess.

1701. April. 14. Allowed the Ld. Bp. of Chester to dispose of 10£ p an in his Diocess.

21. 800 Papers against Uncleanness & Drunkeness to be distributed amongst ye Seamen.

28. 1000 Papers against Swearing orderd to be sent to the Fleet.

4£ given to Mr Serjt. Hookes Servants.

May. 12. The New Account of the Progress of the Reformation of Manners, & the Letter to Justices of the Peace, order'd to be put into ye Pacquets.

June 2. 4£ allowed Mr Hodges for Translating & printing some Tracts in Dutch.

A great number of books & Papers Orderd to be distributed amongst ye Seamen

16. The Society resolves to take off 100 of Monsr. Vallons Accounts.

23. 2000 Pastoral Letters & as many Papers against Drunkenness order'd to be dispers'd amongst the Seamen.

July. 7. Devotions for ye Condemned Criminals order'd to be dispers'd throughout ye several Circuits.

14. 200 Vindications of Informers sent to Mr Horton of Chaderton.

21. A Parcel of papers Order'd to be sent to Mr Wesley, such as the Secretary should think fit.

The Societies Papers for Condemned Criminals deliver'd to 4 of the Judges by Serjt Hooke

August. 5. 200 of each of the Papers & Books which Mr Hodges caus'd to be translated into Dutch, Order'd Dr Bray to send into New-York.

Octob. 14. 100 Accounts of Monsr. Vallones Conversion Bought & bound.

5000 Soldiers Monitors Order'd to be Printed.

28. 30 Vallone's Conversions sent to A D. Entwistle & as many to Mr Taylor of Wigan to disperse amongst the Papists.

November. 4. 25 Soldiers Monitors Order'd to be presented to the General Officers of the Army. vid. Nov. 11. & 25.

25 the 5000 Soldiers Monitors order'd to be Lodged with Mr Thorold at Roterdam.

~~300~~ 250 Soldiers Monitors given by the A. B. of Cant. & 50 by Mr Hodges to the Soldiers in the Tower.

Decemb. 2. 3000 Soldiers Monitors, and 3000 Pastoral Letters Order'd to be sent to Mr Thorold, instead of the 5000 Soldiers Monitors abovesaid.

An Extract Order'd to be made out of the Journal, of the Charges of the Society. v. Dec. 15. & Dec. 29.

A Large Map of England order'd to be bought.

50 Seamans Monitors, 100 Pastoral Letters, 100 Christians daily Devotions, 100 Cautions against Swearing & Drunkeness Order'd Mr Vernon for the Seamen in the Mary Galley.

Decemb. 8. 40 Shillings given to Wm Carter who has suffer'd much by his Zeal in promoting a Reformation of Manners

15. The Treasurer order'd to send some of the Societies Papers to Mr Portman.

100 Christians way to Heaven order'd to be given to the poor Prisoners in the Marshalsea.

January 12. 1701/2. The Societies Books & Papers were order'd to be given to the Soldiers in all ~~her~~ the English Garrisons. v. Jan. 26.

19. Mr Carter entertain'd as Messenger to the Society at 10£ per an Salary.

The Committee for Visiting the Prison of Newgate, Order'd to bestow 40s & what Books & Papers they shall think fit, upon the Prisoners there.

an. 19. 1701/2. 639 Soldiers Monitors & other books & papers to the Value of 7li allowed to be given t
soldiers in the English Garisons.

26. 20l in Money & Books Order'd to be given to the Prison at Whitechappell.

3000 of the New Accounts of the Society Order'd to be Printed.

The Lord Bp of Worcester allow'd to dispose of 10li p an of his Subscription to this Society amongst the Poor of his Diocess, in good Books.

February. 2. A Specimen of the Papers of the Society, allow'd Mr Vernon to carry with him beyond Sea.

Mr Brewster ~~allow'd~~ paid his Bill for Solliciting Mr Stephens's Benefaction. v. Febr. 9.

~~Dr Bray presents some Proposals about the better Regulations of Prisons~~

4 Bibles with the Service & Singing Psalms given to Newgate.

Febr. 19. 6 Kettlewells Offices, 12 Pastoral Letters, 12 Cautions against Swearing, Ditto Drunkeness, Do. Uncleaness, 12 Observ. of the Lords day, 6 Christian Monitors, 6 Offices for Condemn'd Criminalls, allow'd to each County Gaol.

March. 5. ✓ Mr Wanley Chosen Secretary to the Society, at 70li per Ann. Salary.

The Account of the Sufferings on board the French Kings Galleys, Order'd to be one of the Books to be given by the Society to the Seamen.

A Parcell of Books & Papers Orderd to be sent into Gloucestershire.

12. The Agents propose a Sollicitor for the General Subscriptions to Schools, at 20li p an

26. 1702 A Packet of Books & Papers given to Mr. Meeken to send into Denmark. 9 Dec. 1703.

Books & Papers allow'd to my Lord Cutts's Regiment of Foot-Guards. v. Mar. 12.

The Agents Sollicitor taken in for one quarter only, at 5li.

April. 2. Papers sent to Mr Cleveland of Bidley, Mr Johns of Stroud, Mr A. D. Boothe and Mr Vincent Edwards.

9. 2 Packets are given to Mr Meeken to send one to Sweden, the other to Holstein.

1000 Pastoral Letters, 500 Soldiers Monitors. 1000 Cautions against Swearing. 500 ditto Drunkeness, ditto Uncleaness, orderd to be sent into Ireland, for the Soldiers there.

A Parcel of books given to Mr Akers of Blewbury.

4 Pounds a year to be allow'd to Mr Serjt Hookes servants.

April 16. A Parcel of Books & Papers Order'd the Governor of New-England.

May 7. The Society Debate about a Gift of Books & Papers to the Fleet.

The Lord Cutts promises to distribute the Societies Gift amongst the English Soldiers in Holland

21. May Dr Woodwards 2 pieces about Confirmation, and a Tract about Family-Prayers, added to ye Packet.

15li in Books & Papers given to ye Seamen.

28. They design to move ye Prince for a Sum to the same purpose. vid. Jun. 4. & Jun. 25.

18. June Dr Brays & Mr Trymmers debts discharged.

Dr Slare lends the Society 50li.

25. Dr Woodwards 2 Tracts about Confirmation, & another about Family Prayers given to all ye Correspondents.

July. 30. 500 Exhortations to House-keepers, & 100 Pastoral Letters, given to ye Agents to distribute.

Sept. 17. A Parcel of Papers delivered to Mr Barclay for ye Ship Victory. vid. 1 Octob.

2 Packets given, one to Mr Shore of ~~[illegible]~~ Hampsey ye other to Mr Plumer.

2 dozen of Seamens Monitors ~~&~~ sent to Sr John Philipps.

Octob. 1. About 5li in Books & Papers given to ye Hospitals for Sick & Wounded.

22. A parcel of Papers gave to Mr Shebs to distribute in his District of Woolwich.

Decemb. 17. 500 of Dr Woodwards Abstracts of ye Orders of ye Religious Societies, ordered to be distributed.

31. The Bp. of Bath & Wells allowed to dispose of 6li a year in his own Diocess.

Jan. Another Tract added to the Packet.

1702/3. Jan 7. Mr Ostervalds Catechism dedicated to ye Society

anuar. 21. 2000 Letters to ye Commanders of Merchants Ships, with a great parcel of Books & Papers, Order
to be sent to ye Sea-Ports, to be distributed amongst such Comanders. (vid. 10. Dec. 1702.)

28. A Parcel sent to Mr Cleaveland of Budley.

Febr. 4. Order of the Sea Packets 50 to Portsmouth, 50 to Bristol, 20 to Exeter, & 30 to Plymouth
and 20 to Kings-Lynn & 10 to Falmouth.

25. 100 Copies of the Standing Orders to be Printed.
Mr Ostervald's Catechism in French presented, & refer'd to the Examination of Dr Maningham.

March. 11. 500 letters touching ye Profanation of the Lords Day, given to ye French Refugees.
Dr Manningham delivers his Opinion of Mr Ostervalds Catechism, & the Secretary is Order'd to translate it.

18. 500 of the same Letters given to the French Refugees.
200 Christian Schollars, & 200 Pastoral Advices given to ye Agents.
The Treasurer order'd to send parcels of Papers divers Correspondents.
Books sent to ye lending Library at Reigate.

25. A parcel of Books & Papers given to Mr Shute, to distribute among ye Seamen.
250 Cautions agst Swearing, & 250 Observations of ye Lords Day given to ye Agents.

April. 1. A parcel of papers given to Mr Shute to distribute at Oxford.
Some papers given to Mr Ram for ye ArchBps of Armagh & Dublin.

8. Dr Manningham having business, divers Members are desired to revise the Secretaries Translation of Mr Ostervalds Catechism.

15. Ten Guineas given to ye Secretary for translating Mr Ostervalds Catechism.
4l given to Mr Serj. Hooke's Servants.

22. A parcel of books & papers sent to Mr Davenport of Buckland
Divers Parcels sent to the Correspondents.

May 6. Mr Shute agrees with the Society, about printing ye Translation of Mr Ostervalds Catechism. v. 29. April 1703.
& Mr Nelson & Dr Stanhope are desired to revise it, before it be sent to the Press.
A parcell of books & Papers given to the Workmen & Laborers in the Welsh Mines.

13. Mr Shute has distributed part of the Societies gift of papers to ye Soldiers in the English Garrisons.
More Sea-packets order'd to sent to ye several Ports.
4000 Obligations Christians are under, &c order'd to be printed on Broad Sheets. 27 May.
Parcels of Papers given to Sr J. Philipps & Sr Edm. Turner.
Parcels given to Mr Lowton of Chatham, & Mr Gilman of Rochester.

20. 500 Accounts of Schools to be Reprinted with Alterations & Additions.
A Parcell given to Dr Littel.
Sea-Packets sent to Graves-end.
6 ordinary Packets given to Dr Hare.

27. 300 Tables of Prayers bought of the Agents.
A Packet with one of the Printed Standing Orders sent to Mr Colson of Bristol.

une 3. The Obligations to shun Vice &c put into the Packet.
250 Obligations, & 100 Sea-Packets dd to Mr Newman for the English settlemts in Newfoundland.
200 Obligations & 100 Sea-Packets dd to A. D. Boothe for the Seamen in Shields & Sunderland.
15 Sea Packets given to so many Ships setting out for Turkey.
5000 of Dr Woodwards Addresses to the Sea-Officers &c. Ordered to be Printed on half sheets.
A Parcel of the Abstracts of ye same Drs book about Religious Societies sent to Bath.
A Parcel of Papers sent to Mr Watts of Orpington.
A Parcel given to the Seamen coming with Coals to Cambridge.
Dr Assheton's Exhortation to the H. Comunion, put into the Packet. (v. May. 27. 1703.)
A Parcel of Papers sent to Mr Urmston to disperse at Archangel & Moscow.

une, 17. 1000 of the first Sheet of Mr Ostervalds Catechism bought, & put into the Packet.

24 A Parcel given to the Ship Nottingham.

uly-1. A Parcel sent to Mr Gibson of Welbourne.
A Parcel sent to Mr Cotton.
A Parcel given to Mr Shute upon his Journey into the Countrey.

8. 3 Sea Packets given to Mr Shute for some Russia Ships.

ept. 2. 200 of the French Translations of Mr Shute's Sea Sermons order'd to be bought & distributed among the Fren
Seamen, prisoners. [illegible]

3. Sept. 30. one of ye Transl. of Mr Ostervalds Catechisms presented to each of the Members.

Octob. 7. A great parcel dd to Mr Innes to disperse in the Fleet going for Portugal.

~~4 4 0~~ Octob. 14. The A.B. of Cant. Letter to the Clergy of the Diocess of St Davids to be reprinted to the number of 2000 Copies, and put into the Packet. Octob. 28.

6 dozen of School Catechisms sent to Sr J. Philipps.

a parcel given to Mr Pike, going for ye East-Indies.

Nov. 11. a new Packet to be sent to the Correspondents.

25. Necessaries wanting at St Dunstans Inquest-house order'd to be bought.

Dec. 2. A parcel given to the Poor of Brighthelmeston.

a smal parcel sent to Mr More at Cambridge.

Some Copies of the first Sheet of Mr Ostervalds Catechism given to Mr Trymmer & Dr Hare.

The usual Allowance given to Mr Stubbs's Servants.

9. A Packet sent to Mr Vernon in Denmark.

500 Duties of Servants bought, & his put into ye Packett.

The late Bp. of Bath & Welles's Treatise of the Sins of Infirmity put into ye New Packet.

23. A Parcel of books given to Mr Ostervald of Neuf-chatel.

30. 2 of Mr Nelsons Companions given to Mr Ostervald.

1703/4 Jan. 6. 200 of Mr Colliers Dissuasives from ye Play-houses Order'd to be bought.

5li given to Wm Carter the Society's Messenger upon his leaving the Society.

13. One of Mr Nelson's Companions given to each of ye Religious Societies.

A Parcel given to Sr J. Philips to distribute in Wales.

Many Papers, &c. agt ye Play-houses, bought, given to the Residing Members, & order'd to be sent to ye Correspondents.

Papers agt Play-houses, dispers'd ~~amon~~ at 100 of the Principal Coffeehouses.

20. John Carter made Messenger to ye Society.

The New Packet Order'd to be sent to ye Correspondents: Mr Treasurer having liberty to Buy or Print what he wants.

27. 100 Copies of the 9th Occasional Letter agt Plays, Agreed to be bought.

Letters to a Lady, agt Plays, given to the Agents.

Febr. 3. A Parcel given to the Chaplain of the Ship Ranelagh. 1704. Apr. 27.

A Parcel Order'd to be sent to Archangel in Russia.

New Testaments given to ye French Prisoners in the Tower.

17. A Parcel given to Mr Smith of Ashelworth.

March 3. A Parcel given to Mr Lloyd.

A Parcel given to Coll Colchester.

16. A Parcel given to Mr Tanner Chancellor of Norwich.

30. 100 of Dr Bray's Baptismal Covenants to be bought.

3 Parcels sent into Essex to be distributed.

The New Liturgy for the Church of Neufchatel, Order'd to be Translated. Apr. 27.

April. 27. A parcel sent to Sr John Philipps.

May 4 A parcel sent to Mr Yarle of Portsmouth.

A parcel sent to Mr Michaelis at Archangel.

11. A parcel sent to the Royal Anne.

June 1. Paper bought for Printing 3000 New Accounts of Schools in fol.

8. 4000 of Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermons Order'd to be printed, & as many Acct.s of Schools reprinted in 4to.

300 Xtian Scholars given to the Masters of the Charity Schools.

a quire of the New Accounts of Schools given to the Agents.

15. 2000 Accounts of Schools in fol. to be printed.

50 of Mr Ostervalds ~~Cat~~ Catechisms given to the Scotch Libraries.

20. a Packet given to Sr Edmund Anderson Lieut. Governor of Guernsey with another Parcel.

a Parcel given to Mr Stubs to distribute in Oxford.

the Dean of Lincoln has a Parcel of his Sermons sent to him.

A Parcel given to Mr Jais, to distribute among the English & French Slaves at Meccanes.

A Parcel given to Mr Edwards to disperse in the Religious Societies in the Countrey.

200 Duties of Children to be bought & put into the Packet.

29. A Parcel given to Mr Chamberlayne to disperse at Windsor.
5 of the Dean of Lincolns Sermons given to each of the Residing Members.
July 6. The Dean of Lincolns Sermon given to the London Ministers, & to the Correspondents.
Aug. 27. A Packet given to Mr Ernle.
A Parcel entrusted to Mr Jezreel Jones to disperse Aboard his Ship, among the English Souldiers in Portugal, and among the English Slaves in Morocco.
24. 6 of Dr Willis's Sermons given to Mrs Rothery the Schoolmistress of Greenwich.
6 Sea Packets given to Coll. Perry.
Septemb. 28. 100 Accts of Schools, & 2 dozen Sermons given to Mr A. D. Frank.
2 Dozen Sermons given to Mr Chamberlayne for Windsor.
100 Tracts sent to Mr Nelson to distribute at Tunbridge.
A Parcell given to Mr Lorrain of Newgate.
October 19. The Stewards Bill at Ware Order'd to be Paid. vid. 2 Nov.
A Parcel sent to Mr Gibson of Welbourne, & 2 Parcels for his 2 friends the Benefactors.
Novemb. 2. A Parcel given to the Ship Hastings.
200 Whole Duty of a Xtian by Way of Qu. & Ans. Order'd to be bought.
9. 100 Sickmans Guides to be bought. vid. 2 Nov.
2 Guineas given to the Woman-keeper of St Dunstans Inquest-house. vid. 16. Nov.
A Parcel given to Wales, by Sr John Philipps.
20. 2 of A.B. Tillotsons Perswasive to frequent Comunion in Welsh, to be sent to each of the Correspondents in North-Wales.
23. Bp. Beveridge's Sermon upon ye usefulness of ye Common-prayer in Welsh, to be sent as above.
Dec. 7. 100 Dr Willis's Sermons sent to Mr Wyndham.
14. A Large Packet sent to Mr Johnson of Appledore.
21. A Parcel sent to Dr Mapletoft.
12 Sea-packets, & a parcel sent to the Fleet, by Mr Shute.
A Parcel given to Mr Peploe of Preston.
28. A Parcel sent to Boston in New England by Mr Bromfield.
A Virginian Bible to be sent to Mr Ostervald upon his Request.
Jan. 11. The Bibles in Irish & Welsh, with a Welsh Common prayer added to ~~them~~ it.
18. The Gospells & Acts in Malayan, added to them.
A Parcel given to the Ship - - - at ye Ld. Bp. of Chichesters desire.
1000 of Mr Hawes's Sheet Order'd to be bought.
Febr. 1. A Parcel given to Mr Skeat to disperse in Avendon.
A Double Packet order'd to be sent to Mr Gibson of Welbourne's friend, the Benefactor.
8. A Packet sent to Greenwich Hospital by Mr Shute.
A Parcel sent to the Ship Kent, upon Mr Beauvoir (the Chaplains) Request.
The Soldiers Monitors entrusted to Mr Thorold enquired after. vid. March. 8.
100 of A.B. Tillotson's Sermons agst Popery Order'd to be bought.
22. A Parcel given to Mr Shute's friend a Benefactor.
A Parcel given to the Countess Dowager of Derby, upon Mr Lloyds Motion.
A Parcel about Family-prayers given to Sr J. Philipps to disperse in Wales.
March. 1. 20 of Dr Masons Sermons bought.
The Whole Duty of a Christian putt into the Packet.
Dr Gibsons Family Devotion enquired after, in Order to be bought.
A. D. Franks Acct. of the Society to be Reprinted. |15. Mar.|
As also a Chapter in the Present State of England.
8. 12 Sermons, & 3 quires of Accts sent to Maidstone by Mr Skeat.
12 of Mr Whiston's Sermons sent to Oxford, by Mr Lloyd, & the Secretary.
A Parcel given to Mr Helmiers.
Mr Masons sermons given to the Correspondents.
15. 2000 Dr Gibsons Family Devotions, Order'd to be Printed.
6 of Mr Nelsons Fasts & Festivals, given to Mr Skeat.

03 Mar. 22. A Parcel sent to A.H. Franck to disperse in his Visitation.

1704. Apr. 19. A Parcel given to Dr Mapletoft, to disperse among the Pensioners in Greenwich-Hospital.

The Dean of Lincoln's Sermon, & ye Acct. of Schools sent to the Dean of Canterbury.

442 26. 100 Christians Way to Heaven sent to Greenwich-Hospital, by Mr Stubs.

May. 3. Dr Gibsons Family Devotion's dispos'd of among ye Residing & Corresponding Members of the

vid. May 10.
The Benefaction of Mr Melmoth's Friend, laid out in Bibles & Common-prayer-books

12l. more to be laid out in Common-prayers, half to be given away, half to be: paid for.

A 4to. Bible given to the Prisoners in Salisbury-Gaol.

10. Parcels, each containing 10 Common-prayers; 6 Dr Gibson's Family-Devotions; 10 Bp. B
ridges Sermons; 3 Exhortations to Family-Prayer; 3 Dr Woodwards Family-Pray
And Parcells of another Sort, vizt. containing each, 3 Dr Gibsons Family Devotions
3 Earnest Exhortations; & 3 of Dr Woodwards Family-Prayers to be sent to the Co
spondents. (Each of these Parcels had divers Additions, as hereafter follows.)

17. 50 of Dr Willis's Sermons; & 50 sheet Accts of Schools, given to Mr Ellis of Sheffield.

1 Common-prayer to be put into the lesser Parcels mentioned May. 10.

1 Whole Duty of Man; & 1 A.Bp Tillotson's Sermon to be added to each of ye Parcels. vid. May

31. 200 Abc Catechisms sent to Mr Avenant of Newant.

Concerning Schools.

May. 5. Coll Bowyer promises to subscribe 20l or 25l p an towards the support of Ch. Schools.

19. A Large Parcel of Papers deliver'd to the Agents.

June 16. 100 Christian Scholars order'd to be distributed amongst such Scholars as leave their Respective Schools.

30. 100 of Dr Brays Baptismal Covenants order'd to be deliver'd to those Scholars as leave the Schools.

The Society Resolves to take some Care of some Boys as are of very extraordinary parts. 21. Octob. 1703.

July. 7. 5l allowed 18 boys ready to be discharged out of Aldgate-School.

The forme of A General Subscription to Schools order'd to be drawn up.

July. 14. It was Presented & Approv'd.

Novemb. 25. A Preamble to the General Subscriptions to Schools, order'd to be drawn up.

Decemb. 2. The Preamble Read, Amended, & Approv'd.

15. The Agents for Schools presented their Proposals for Raising & Managing the Contributions to Schools in General. vid. Dec. 22. & Jan. 5. Jan. 12. Jan. 26. Feb. 2. 19. March. 5.

Jan. 5. 1701/2. A Sum not exceeding 2l allow'd for the Raising of a School at East-Hagbourn in Berkshire

Jan. 12. All the Members of the Society living within the Walls of the City, desir'd to Assist the Agents for Schools.

March. 26. A Sollicitor to the General Subscriptions to Schools was allow'd the Agents, at 5l for one Quarter only. vid. May. 14. & 28.

June 18. The Society raises 4l among themselves, & give it to the School at Aldersgate.

Decemb. 10. A Parcel of Books given to poor Children then ready to be set out to prentise.

17. The Correspondents are desired to certifie what Schools are set up in their Neighbourhood. 31. Dec.

Octob. 8. 4l a year given out of Mr Nelsons Subscription to 2 Schools in Hampshire.

1702/3 18. Febr. A parcell of ye Accounts of Schools given to ye Agents.

The Agents desire to know in what form a man may bequeath a Legacy to Charity-schools.

25. Mr Brewster desired to draw up a Clause. (1. April. 1703.)

1703. March, 25. The Procession of ye Poor Children mov'd to ye Society. 1704 April. 6. 27. May 4. [illegible] 25. Jun. 1.

April. 8. The Charity-Schoolmasters molested by other Schoolmrs for not being Licens'd. Apr. 22.

22. The Charity-Schools Visited by ye Agents, and their Report.

May 6. St Andrew's Church desir'd by the Society for [illegible] Sermon to be preach'd therein to ye Poor Children annually.

20. They resolve to consider farther upon this Matter in Novemb. next. 11. Nov. 25 Nov. 2 Dec.

500 Accounts of Schools to be printed with Amendments & Additions. 3 June. Dec. 30. 1703/4 March 8. Apr. 6

June 24. A proposal for taking off the Boys & Girls from the Charity-Schools when grown up. Sept. 16.

July. 1. The Bp of Worcester's Subscription applied to Shadwell School, if it cannot continue without it.

Sept. 2. Societies Advice concerning the Erection of a Charity-School.

16. The Agents to inquire into the Schoolmrs Methods of Teaching their Scholars Prayers & Graces.

Octob. 7. ~~14~~ Proposal for Training up Masters for the Countrey Schools. Octob. 14. 21 | Nov. 4.

11. ~~6 Houses on~~ A Lease of 6 Houses offer'd to the Society for promoting Charity-Schools. v. Charities to ye Socie

Nov. 18. Mr Neal willing to give the Society some small Houses at Ware, for the support of a School there. v. Charities given to the Society.

Dec. 2. The Agents Proposal for Encorporating the Charity-Schools. 1704. Apr. 20.

04. Jun. 1. 3000 New Accounts of Schools to be printed in fol. vid. Charges at June. 15.

8. 4000 of the same Accounts to be printed in 4to.

300 Christian Scholars given to the Masters of ye Charity Schools. vid. 24. Aug.

a quire of ye New Accounts given to the Agents

Advertisemts to be printed about the Poor Children's Meeting & hearing Mr Dean of Lincoln's Sermon.

22. The Agents for Schools made Corresponding Members.

29. a parcel given to the Agents for the Schools

Aug. 31. — 30 of Dr Willis's Sermons Given.

Charity-Schools.

1704. Novemb. 23. 50 Bibles brought to Mr Stubs to disperse in Scholes.

1705. Apr. 5. Dr Stanhop Dean of Cant. to be desired to Preach to all the Poor Children.
500 of the Dean of Lincolns Sermons given to Mr Scoat.

May 17. 1000. Accts of Schools to be Reprinted.

24. The Accts of Schools to be Reprinted, now Agreed to be 2500.

31. Dean of Cant. desired to Print his Sermon preach'd to the Poor Children.

Names of Resident Members & Officers.

1698	March	^{16} 8.	The Society was begun by
			The Lord Guilford
			Sr Humphrey Mackworth
			Mr Justice Hook (John.)
			Coll Colchester (Maynard)
			Dr Bray (Tho.)
		16.	Mr Justice Hook made Treasurer
699	April	19.	Mr Chamberlayne . & about that time –
			Sr John Phillipps –
			Mr Bromfeild (Tho.)
	May	9.	Mr Railton v. Dec. 2. 1701.
		15.	Sr Edmund Turnor
			Ld Bishop of Glocester, (Edw.) qu: when approvd
		18.	Mr Brewster (Saml.) –
			Mr Comyns (John.)
			~~Mr Woodward~~, now a Correspondent.
		25.	Mr Shute (Henry.)
	June	1.	Dr Harsey (Gideon.)
			Mr Melmouth (Will.) –
			Dr Hare (Frederic.)
		8.	~~Dr Lucas~~ } vid. Dec. 2. 1701.
			~~Mr Seymour~~ } dead.
		9.	Dr Cox vid. Dec. 2. 1701.
		22.	Mr Nelson (Robert.)
	July	20.	Mr Frank
			Dr Mapletoft, (John.)
	August	17.	Dr Evans (John.)
	October	21.	Sr George Wheler, now a Correspondent.
		31	Mr Farrer
			Mr Chamberlayne Secretary
	November	9.	Mr Mecken
		16.	Sr Richard Bulkley, now a Correspondent.

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	23.	Mr Hodges (John.)
	30	Mr Neale.
	30.	Dr Davies now a Correspondent
December	4.	Mr Gunnis Clerk to the Society.
		Dr Daniel Cox. vid. Dec. 2. 1701.
	14.	Dr Hayley (Will.)
		Dr Willis (Rich.)
		Mr King (Rich.)
January	11.	Ld Bishop of Chichester (John)
March	7	Ld Bishop of Chester (N.)
	14.	Mr Kennet (White.)
	25.	Mr Marlin vid. Dec. 2. 1701.
1700 - April	4	Mr Clarke
May	9.	Mr Bulstrode (Whitlock.)
June	6	Ld Bishop of Salisbury
	13.	Ld Bishop of Bath & Wells
July	11.	Mr Little (Tho.)
		Mr Seaman (Dutton.) qu. when approved? Apr. 25. 1700.
	18.	Dr Nicholas Pit
	25.	Mr Harries
		Mr Reynalds (John.)
October	24	Dr Mannyngham (Tho.)
	31.	Sr William Hustler
November	21.	Mr Charles Toriano.
December	2.	Mr William Lloyd.
	16.	Humfrey Wanley Assistant to the Secretary.
January	~~13.~~	~~The Revd. Mr Coghan Inspector of the Schools.~~
	20.	Mr Rowland Cotton.
	27.	Ld Bishop of Worcester. Will.
February	10	Mr John Trimmer.
		Sr Richard Blackmore.
	24	Mr Vernon. (James.)
March	3.	Mr Shute Treasurer to the Society.
	10.	Mr Daniel Nicoll.
Mr Nicoll approved	10.	Ld Bishop of Down & Connor. a Correspondent.
	17.	Sr Arthur Owen.
1701. April	14.	Sr John Chardin.
		Lord Bp. of Chester. vid. supra. March. 7. 1699/1700.

	April	28.	Mr Neville. (Grey.)	
	May —	26.	Mr Wright. Portugal Row in Lincolns Inn Fields.	
	June —	2 —	Dr Brimnell. (Charles.)	
	June —	2 —	Coll. Bowyer. (Ant.)	
	June —	16.	Dr Verney.	
			Dr Barton.	
	October	28	Mr Coutris (Jacob.)	
	November	18	Sr William Beeston. vid. 9. July. 1702.	
	Bdo.		The Rev. Mr Hodges. (Will.)	
	December	2.	~~The Rev. Mr~~ Stubbes. (Phil.)	
1701/2.	January —	19.	Mr Gerard. (Wm Carter made Messenger.)	
	March —	5.	Humfrey Wanley Secretary.	
		26 —	~~Mr [illegible]~~ (Mr Thomas made Sollicitor for ye Schools, for one quarter.)	
	April —	9.	Mr Waddington (Edw.	
			Mr Collins. (Arth.)	
	May —	28.	Mr Wyndham. (Francis.)	
	October —	1.	Mr Wicks. (Will.)	
	December —	17.	Mr Barker.	
1702/3	January —	14.	Mr Ram. (Abel.)	
	February	4	Mr Gervaise.	4
		25.	Sr John Guise.	
	June. —	17.	Mr Bunch —	Octob. 7. Mr Moore. (Tho.)
	october	23 —	Mr Henry Hoare.	
	October	28.	Mr Andrews. (Tho.)	
	November	11.	Mr Edwards. (Vigerus.)	
1703/4	January —	6.	Mr Meller (John. Mr Jenner (Tho.)	<
		20 —	— — (John Carter made Messenger.)	
	February	3.	Mr D'Aeth (Tho.) at Philpot lane in Fen-church Street.	
	May —	2.	Mr Hen. Lovibond.	
	March —	16	Mr Palmer of Chelsea. (Ralf.)	
	May —	25.	Mr Alex. Torriano.	
	July —	13 —	(Tho Thornicroft made Messenger.)	
	Octob. —	26.	Mr A.D. Bouchier, (Rich.)	
	Nov. —	23.	Mr Evele, (John Kyrle	
	Dec. —	21.	Mr Hearne, (Lionel.)	
1704/5	Jan.	4.	Mr Richardson.	
	Jan. —	25.	Mr Rolt.	
	Febr.	1.	Mr Woodcock. (Sam.)	
		8.	Mr Taylor. (Joseph.)	
	Apr.	5.	Mr Franc. Fox.	
	June —	14	Mr Brace Approv[illegible] is now a Corrispondt. Propos'd by Mr Frank	
	~~Apr. Aug~~	~~16~~.12.	A.D. Edmund Gibson.	
	Oct.	18.	Mr John Trollope.	& Mr Freake Octob. 29.
		25.	Dr Rains.	
	Nov.	22.	Mr Ric. Riddal.	
	Dec.	27	Mr Bull.	

Orders to be observ'd by the Society.

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May 9. That the Society meet every Thursday at 6 in ye Evening

October 21. That all Informations from Strangers be taken in a Committee

Decemb 7. That the Orders of the Society be read at Least once a Quarter

That no Corresponding Member be required to Subscribe in the Books of the Society

14. That the Society frequently peruse and Consider the Advises deliverd in a Book by Dr Bray

January 25. That this Society Advise and Assist ye Religious Societies

February 8. That whoever is in the Chair at the begining of the Meeting shall continue

22. That a Committee meet every Thursday 5 a Clock for the Agents for Schools.

29. That no new Motion be made after 8 at night.

March 7. That each Lay Correspond^{t} be written to by Some particular friend & the Acc^{ts} of Societies sent him that he may Signify his consent before any Circular Lre be sent him.

1700 28. That all Members that come have Votes.

April 4. That Prayers be read by ye most Dignifyed or Senior Clergyman

25. That the Clerk attend the Members at their Houses and Collect their quarterly Subscription.

May 2. That no Letter be sent as from the Society, till read and approved of by the Society.

That a good Correspondence be maintained wth the Societies of Religion and Reformation

July 11. That this Society Assist the Religious Societies in their Application to the Parochial Ministers.

29 That the Books and Papers Printed at the Charge of ye Society be lodged at Mr Brewsters Chambers

Sept. 12. That a Distinct Acct. be Kept of the several Benefactions to the Society.

Novemb. 28. That Monday be the day of Meeting from this time forward.

Decemb. 30. That the Abstract of each Letter be Read to the Society, immediatly after ~~each~~ the Reading the Letter it self.

January 20. That the Secretary or his ~~Amanu~~ Assistant do draw up an Answer to each Letter of less Moment, which they shall receive: and these Answers to be Read to the Society at the same time with the Letters themselves.

May. 5. 1701. All new Motions to be made at the Second Reading the Minutes, between those of the first week & those of the last.

26. The Accounts of the Society to be Audited once a Quarter.

June 9. That they will always decline the Intermedling with any matters that are foreign to their Religious Designs.

July 21. That Tuesday be the day of Meeting till the first Tuesday in November.

Octob. 21. The Society Resolve's to meet at half an hour past 3, the days being short.

Novemb. 4. A Chairman appointed to preside in the Society, & to be chang'd every month.

Decemb. 2. The Society Resolve's to meet on Mondays at half an hour past 3 a clock during the Winter season.

~~50 Seamans Monitors, 100 Pastoral Letters, 100 Christians Daily Devotions 100 Cautions against Swearing & Drunkenneſs Order'd to be sent to Mr Vernon for the Seamen in the Mary Galley.~~

January 19. Upon the Appointment of any Comittee, the Members of it are to be apprised of the Occasion, time, & Place of their Meeting.

5 Each new Member upon his Admiſsion Order'd to subscribe to ~~the~~ wards the payment of the Debt due to Dr Bray. And this to be a standing Order.

26. The Meſsenger Appointed to receive the Quarterly Subscriptions of the Members.

Febr. 2. + The Society Resolves to meet ~~on~~ on Thursdays at 4 a Clock during this Seſsion of Parliam

March 12. + Packets that for the future ~~are~~ shall be sent to Gaols, must be directed to the Correspond

1702. 26. + Mr Chamberlayne is Order'd a Copie of the Minutes to send to Mr Vernon.

The Secretary to keep a stricter Correspondence with Mr Frank, &c.

April. 2. 1702. When one Resident Member is wanting to make up a Quorum, the Secretary is to be taken in

9. + A Standing Committee of Divines Order'd to meet on Thursdays at 2 a clock, to Correct the Papers of the Society against their Next Impreſsion.

+ All Books or Papers Compos'd by Members of the Society, are to be review'd by this Comittee before they are Printed.

May. 7. + The Treasurer empower'd to continue to make up the Ordinary Packets for the Correspondents, till new ones are Appointed.

June, 25. + A New Preamble to a Subscription for Schools ~~[illegible]~~ Order'd to be drawn up, (Dr Bray being paid off) this mony to be paid at each new Member's Admiſsion.

No Sum exceeding 40s. to be dispos'd of in the Treasurer's Absence.

July. 9 — + The New Preamble being Read, the Society Resolve that the Subscription shal not be limited to any single Article of their designs; but order another for promoting their Designs in general to be drawn up; which is ~~produc'd~~ presented & Approv'd July. 16. 1702.

Nov. 26. That no Member do withdraw his Subscription without a previous notice of 3 Months.

Dec. 3. + Each Member at his Admiſsion to subscribe to the New Preamble.

1702/3 Febr. 18. No person to be approv'd as a Corresponding Member, till he has Certified his Willingneſs to Correspond wth ye
New Paragraph added to ye 2d Circular Letter.

25. The Society's Accounts to be Audited within a Month after every Lady-day & Michaelmaſs.
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Charges & Charities of the Society.

1698.		
March	16	Paper Books provided.
1699 May	15.	$10^{l}:12^{s}:6^{d}$ paid Mr Keith for Books that he was orderd to dispose.
		Ten Shillings given to provide Books for Wapping School.
July-	6.	Twenty Shillings given to Mr ~~Mander~~ Mehler y German
Novembr	9.	Allowd to Dr Bray the Money he had advanced towards y Plantations.
	30.	Twenty Pounds Advanced towards Libraries in the Leeward Islands
February	1.	
Feb Ey.	8	$4^{l}:10^{s}:8^{d}$ paid for Printing Proposals for erecting Schools
	23.	Catechisms deliverd to Mr Keith to be dispersed among the Quakers.
		Thirty Pounds ℘ Ann allow for a Clerk
~~Mar.~~	~~7.~~	The short Accts of Societies orderd to be printed
Mar.	14.	Four Pounds to the Servants for attending
1700.	28.	Sixty of Mr Kettlewells Books given to the Prisoners.
April	4.	Five Pounds given to Mr Syms as a rew. for his Industry.
		500 of Dr Brays Sermons Printed
	11.	More Books dd to Mr Keith & 20 Guineas given him.
May	2.	500 more of Dr Brays Sermons Printed.
June	20.	36 of Dr Brays Abstracts given to the Religious Societies
July	25.	3000 of y Broadsheets orderd to be Printed & dispersed.
		2000 More of y Short Acct of Societies Printed
Aug.	8.	500 Copies of Dr Brays Letter to his Benefactrs printed.
Sept.	12.	Books to the Value of $12^{l}.11^{s}$ given to Mr Evans in order to his Mission in Philadelphia
		Twenty four of Dr Willis Books entituled An Address to the Roman Catholicks given to Mr Taylor of Wigan to be dispersed by him.

19. 500 Xtian Monitors 500 Pastoral Letters 500 Xtians dayly Devotion & 5000 Xtian way Heaven given Mr Andrews to be dispersed in Virginia as ye Gov^{d}nour shall direct.

2^{l}: 4^{s}: 6^{d} paid towards the Burial of a Missionary

October 3. P^{d} 3^{l} 18^{s} to the Agents for Schools for their Expences.

Octob^{r} 10 P^{d} 5^{l} to the Schoolmaster in St Geo: Southwark.

17. P^{d} 12^{s}: 6^{d} to the Agents for Pasting up the Broadsheets.

Dr Bray. Memorial & Acco^{t} of Visitation Printed.

24 more Broadsheets orderd to be ~~Pri~~sed. Disp^{d}, dd.

500 Copies of the List of Cheshire Preachers Printed

31. 50 of the Consolatory Letters to be sent to the Captives in Ceylon.

Novemb^{r} 14 Books orderd to be sent into Switzerland to be translated

Novemb. 28. Books not exceeding the Value of 3^{l} Ordered to be given to the French Protestants, going to Virginia.

Decemb. 9. 18 Books Enhitled An Address to those of the Romish Communion, delivered to Mr Davies.

Decemb. 16. 5^{l} presented to Mr Gunnis, as a Free Gift of the Society.

Decemb. 23. 500 Copies of the Book Enhitled Prayers for Prisoners under the Sentence of Death, Order'd to be Printed.

Febr 10 1700/1. 3000 Printed Papers against Swearing, &c. given to the Agents of Schools to be dispersed.

17. Of the Seaman's Monitor, & the Papers ag^{t} Swearing, &, for the Observation of the Lord's Day, 1000 Copies of each, Order'd to be bought & dispers'd amongst Seamen. (v. March 3 and March 10.

24. ~~M~~ Books to be Translated & sent into Wales.

200 Copies of the Christian Monitor, & of the Papers against Swearing, & about the Lord's Day, given to Dr Bray, to be by him dispers'd in Mary-land & Virginia.

March 3. A sum (not exceeding 40^{l}.) allow'd the School at Kempston in Bedfordshire.

Additions made to the List of books which are to be sent to the Correspondents.

10. 800 of the Kind Cautions against Swearing distributed among the Hackney Coach

17. 8^{l} p^{r} ann^{m} given to Charitable Uses, in the Diocess of Chichester.

24. a great Quantity of Books, order'd to Newfoundland. to ye Numb^{r}. of 6000.

100 of the Prayers for Prisoners Condemn'd, sent to York & Wales.

31. 10^{l} profferd towards the Erection of a Library at Richmond.

The Secretaries Assistant allowed a Porter to carry Parcels, &c.

a Sum not exceeding 6^{l} Orderd to be laid out in Bibles & Com̄on-prayers for Newfoundla

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Charities given & Promised to the Society

1699.
June — 8. Mr Charles Duncomb promised a Benefaction.
Sept. 21. Mr Ibbot gave one share in the Mines. See Nov. 9. 23. Dec. 25.
Octobr 5. The Ld Weymouth gave 20l.
Novemb. 9. Mr Stephens gave the Benefit of a Decree for 80l. vid. June 13, 1700
1700 May. 16. The Bishop of Salisbury promised 10l per Ann.
June 20. The Ld Weymouth gave 20l & promised to be a ready Contributor on future occasions. See July 18.
July. 11. Sr Richd Bulkley repeats his Design of settling 20l per Ann for the Plantations. See July 18.
18. Mr Keith gave ye Property of ye Copy of ye Broad sheet
Sept. 12. Mr Foriano gave 10l to the Society.
Mr Blackwell promised a Benefaction
Octobr 10. Mr Wynne of Carnarvon gave 5l compare this minute with his Lettr
Nov. 7. Mr Burscough promised to remit 10l.
Decemb. 16. Mr Fenwick promises 2l. (sent March 31. following) 16 Dec. 1703. | 1704 May 18.
January 27. 1700/1. Mr Foriano presented 5l from a Gentleman unknown.
~~Decb~~ 23. 1700. Some Devons
March. 24. 1700/1. Mr Kendal of Cornwall, remitted 40s.
1701. Apr. 14. The Lord Keeper gave 5l. for promoting Charity Schools.
May. 5. & 12. The Arch. Bp. of York presented 10l to the Society.
Mr Deffray brought 3l. as a gift to the Plantations.
~~July 14.~~ Octob 14. Sr William Beeston promises 10l to the Society.
1702. June — 18. Coll Nicholson promises 25 Guineas to ye Society.
July. 9. Mr Delavar promises 5l a year to the Society.
23. Mr Gerard brings 2 Guineas as a present to ye Society.
1702/3 Januar. 14. 70l of Mr Stephens's Benefaction promised to be paid to the Society. 4 Febr. | 18 March. Apr. 1.
28. Mr Worth of Penryn gives 5l a year to the Society.
April. 15. Dr Bray pays in Mr Stephens's Benefaction to ye Treasurer, deducting 25l. 17s. 6d. which was spent in Recovering it & ye Society indemnifies the Dr as to his Note given to Mr Ettrick.
May 6 — Mr Shibs offers a Room in his House for the Society to meet in, which they accept.
June 3. An Acquaintance of Mr More willing to bequeath 100l to the Society.
Octob. 7 — Mr Gerard brings 5 pounds as a present to the Society.
21. Mr Yeates's Friend offers a Lease of 6 houses to the Society for promoting Charity Schools. 4 Nov. 11 Nov. 25 Nov. 2 Decemb. 9 Dec. 16, 30. | 1703/4 Jan. 13, 27. | Feb. 3, 17. | March 16, 23. 30. | Apr. 6, 27. | May 25. | Jun 1 Jul. 6. | Aug. 3. ~~24~~ | ~~Octob~~ 19. 26. | Nov. 9. 23. | 7 Dec. | 21. 28. | 1704/5. Jan. 4. | 18. | Feb. 1.
Nov. 18. Mr Neale willing to give some small houses at Ware to the Society, for the support of a School there. 1704 June 29.
Decr 2. [8 before] The Society meet at the Inquest house of St Dunstans in the West.
1703/4 Febr. 3 — A Member lends the Society Money, to be repaid when Mr Yeates friends houses are sold, or before. Febr. 24.
17. Dr Hutchinson gives the Society 1l. 1s. 6d.
March. 23 Mr Neale gives some houses at Ware to the Society. Apr. 6. May 4.

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Concerning Schools.

1698 Mar. 8. An order to consider of a Method of erecting Catechetical Schools.

10. a Stock of Insuranc: for Schools.

16. The Instrum^t of Insuranc: & Form of Subscription approv'd

19. Agents fixed, & the Order for Schools entred.

1699. Octob^r 26. The Memb^rs to Solicit their acquaintance in each Parish.

Nov. 30. The Bp of London to be applied to ab^t Catechizing ye Children. See also Dec: 7. 99. Feb 8. & 22.

A List order'd of Persons of Quality proper to be applied to in the several Parishes where ye Schools are erecting.

January 15. The Bp of London to be applied to for the easie Licensing the Masters, See also Jan 25.

February 29. Dr Wake promises to preach quarterly to promote Subscripcons

1700. Nov. 7. A new Form of Subscription to Schools ordered to be drawn up.

Decemb. 23. about 20^li p ann Subscribed in Aldersgate — near 100^li p ann subscribed towards St Sepulchers — 130^li Subscribed in St Andrews-Holbourn.

Boys Exercised at Algate School.

56^li Collected at St Anne Westm^r.

Decb. 30. The Agents Ordered to bring in a List containing the Number of Schools, &c.

Febr. 3. 1700/1. Paid 5^li to the Agents upon the Account of ye School at St Georgis in Southwark

Allow'd the Agents 20^li p ann, to be disposed of towards the Encouragment of Charity Schools, according to their Discretion.

Febr. 10. The Society ensures 5^li toward the School at St Catherine's, in case of a deficiency in the Subscriptions thereunto.

17. This 5^li given absolutely, it having prov'd the Foundation to other Subscriptions.

24. Mrs Buckner & Mr Gunnis Recommended to the Agents.

March 17. The Agents to keep a Table or Register of the Benefactors to each Charity School, in the Vestry of the Parish Church.

24. 31. Coll Bowyer proffers the Interest of 500^li for 7 years, to the School at Southwark.

April. 7. 1701. 100 Christian Scholars given to the Agents.

14. 3^li 12^s 0^d deliver'd Mr Scate to buy Bibles & Comon prayers for the School at Cripplegate.

2^li allowed the Masters of Schools towards the Charges of their Meeting.

Lord Keepers Donation of 5^li for the Promotion of Ch. Schools which was given to the School at Wapping.

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Schools

Wapping	May 18. 99. June 15. Nov. 30th. Apr. 14. 1701. 15 June 1704
Southwark	May 18. 99. June 15. July 20. Aug. 17. Oct. 5. 12. Nov. 30
St George	Jan. 25. March 25. April 4. 700. Oct. 18. Feb. 3. 1700/1. March. 2 May 26. 1701. 21 Octob. 1703. 28 Octob. | 2 Nov. 1704. | 1705. Oct. 11. |
St Andrews	May 25. 99. June 1. July 6. Oct. 12. 26. Jan. 4. 16. 25. 16 Nov. 1704.
Holborne	March 14. April 4. 700. Oct. 3. Nov. 14. Dec. 23. May. 5. 1701. July 9. 1702.
Whitechapel	June 1. 99. 15. July 6. Aug. 3. Sept. 21. Oct. 19. Nov. 30.
	Jan. 18. Feb. 12. March 21. Nov. 14. 1700. May 26. 1701. | 1704. Apr. 27. June 15. | 170 June 7. | 1705/6. Febr. 7. | 21. | 28. |
Poplar	June 8. 99. Nov. 30.
St Martins	June 15. 99. 29. July 6. 13. Sept. 21. Oct. 26. Nov. 30. Jan. 6. 1700/1 Feb. 3. 1700/1. Octob. 14. June 10, 1703. | 1704/5. Jan. 18. | 25. | 1705. Apr. 5. | Jul. 5. | Nov. 29. |
Cripplegate	July 13. 99. Sept. 21. Oct. 26. Nov. 30. Febr. 24. 1700/1. Apr. 14. 1701. Apr. 21. 20 July 1704. | 1706 July. 18. | 25. |
Algate	Sept. 21. 99. Nov. 30. Feb. 22. March 25. Apr. 4. 1700.
	June 20. Aug. 1. Nov. 7. 14. Dec. 23. Jan. 20. 1700/1. July 7. 1701. Octob. 14. ~~February~~ 18 1702/3. | June 10. June 24. | 1704/5. Feb. 1. | Jun. 14. | 1705/6. Jan. 24. | 1706. Oct. 24.
Shadwell	Oct. 5. 99. Nov. 30. Nov. 25. 1703. | 1704/5 Feb. 22.
Shoreditch	Oct. 5. 99. Nov. 30. | 1705 Jul. 19. Aug. 2. | Sept. 6. | Oct. 11. | 18. | Nov. 15. | 29. | 1705/6. Jan. 17. | Mar. 14. |
Stepney	Oct. 5. 99.
St Clements	Oct. 26. 99. Jan. 25. Feb. 8. Mar. Jan. 13. 1700/1. July. 9. 1702. 1704/5. Feb. 1. |
St James	Oct. 26. 99. Nov. 2. Feb. 29. May 30. 1700. June 16. 1701. ~~July~~ 13 Jan. 170 1704/5. Jan. 18. | 1705. Apr. 5. | Jun. 7.
Greenwich	Nov. 2. 99. 24 Aug. 1704
St Giles	Nov. 2. 99. Apr. 18. 700. Febr. 19. 1701/2. | 1705. Apr. 5. | May 10. | 17. | Aug. 16. | 1705/6. Jan.
St Anns	Nov. 2. 99. Jan. 4. 13 Jan. 1703/4 | Apr. 27. | 1704/5. Jan. 18. | Apr. 19. | Nov. 29. |
St Margarets	1703/4. Jan. 13. | 2 March. 23. | Apr. 5. 27. May 4. | 1704/5. Jan. 18. | Jun. 7. | 1705/6. Jan. 17. | 1706. Apr. 18. |
Westminster	Nov. 30. 99. Octob. 28. 1701. Jan. 12. 1701/2. Dec. 10. | 1702/3 Feb. 18. June 10. Nov. 11. 25.
New chappel	
Westminster	Nov. 30. 99. 13 Jan. 1703/4. | 1704/5. Jan. 18. | Jul. 5. | 1705/6. Jan. 10.
Bishopsgate	Nov. 30. 99.
Clerkenwell	Oct. 31. 1700. Nov. 14. Decemb. 9. Febr. 24. 1700/1. March. 3. Apr. 7. 1701. Apr. 2. 170 1703/4. Jan. 20. | 1705/6. Jan. 17. |
St Katherins	Jan. 4. 99. Feb. 8. Febr. 10. 1700/1. Feb. 17. Feb. 24. March. 17. July 14. 1701. 21. Sept. 30.
Lewisham Lusum	Jan. 25. 99.
Chelmsford	Jan. 25. 99.
Spittlefields	Jan. 25. 99. Nov. 11. 1703. | 1703/4 Jan. 13. 27. | 17. Febr. | 2 Mar.
Sepulchres	Feb. 29. 99. Apr. 4. 700. Sept. 26. Dec. 9. 23. Jan. 13. 1700/1. Febr. 24. May 19. 1701. Octob. 28. 11 June 1702. 1 Octob. 19 Nov. 10 June 1703. | 1703/4 Mar. 23. | 20 July, 1704. | 1705. Oct. 11. | Nov
~~St Peters Poor~~	June ~~20. 1700. Febr. 13. 1702/3.~~ | ~~7 Decemb. 1704.~~
Sepulchres [illegible] in Middlesex	1705. Nov. 29. | 1705/6. Jan. 24. | Mar. 14. | Apr.

Windsor	July, 25, 1700. Oct. 3. | 1706. Aug. 1. |
Aldersgate	Feb: 15. 99 Dec. 2. 1701. Apr. 16. 1702. June, 18. Aug. 13. 19 Nov. | 7 Dec. 1704. | 1705/6. Jan. 24.
St Brides	Feb: 22. 99. & vid. pag. 425. supra.
Twickenham.	Jan. 6, 1700/1. January 20. March 17. Apr. 7. 1701. May 5. | 1706. Apr. 25 |
East-Smithfield.	Jan. 13. 1700/1. Apr. 7. 1701.
Wimbledon	Jan. 13. 1700/1.
St Hellen's	Febr. 24. 1700/1.
Kempston in Bedfordshire	March. 3. 1700/1.
Glouester.	March. 3. 1700/1.
Liverpool.	April 14. 1701.
Chester.	April. 14. 1701. 25 Nov. 1701. | 20 July 1704. | 1706 May 2. |
Watford in Hertfordshire.	May 5. 1701. | 1705. Jul. 5.
Covent-Garden.	May 19. 1701. Octob. 14. March. 26. 1702.
East-Hagbourn in Berkshire.	5 Jan. 1701/2. 11 Nov. 1703.
Epsom.	April. 16. 1702.
Kidlington in Oxfordshire.	25. June, 1702. 19 Nov.
St Albans in Hertfordshire	23. July. 1702
St Alfags	17. Sept. 1702. 24. Sept. 26. Nov. Dec. 9. 1703. | 1705. Jun. 7. | 28. Jul. 5. | Aug. 2. Oct. 11. |
Chelsea	24. Sept. 1702. 1706. May. 2. | Nov. 21. |
Bishop-gate Workhouse.	24. Sept. 1702. 1 Octob. 8. Octob.
St Katherines, or ye designed School for Seamens Children.	1 Octob. 1702. 8 Octob. 19 Nov. 3 Dec. 10. Dec. 28 Jan. 1702/3. 4 Feb. 18. Febr.
Ashwell in Hertfordshire.	19. Nov. 1702. 3 Decemb.
Clerkenwell, Quaker School.	19. Nov. 1702. 10 Dec. another at Wandsworth, 10 Dec.
Stroud (in Glostershire Radborough)	19. Nov. 1702. | & other places, 1705. Oct. 18. |
Brighthelmsteth ~~Lewes~~ in Sussex.	10 Dec. 1702. | 1705. Oct. 4. |
Deane in Bedfordshire.	17. Dec. 1702.
Newcastle upon Tine.	17. Dec. 1702.
near Spilsby in Lincolnshire.	4. Febr. 1702/3. 15 April. 1702.
Brentford	18. Febr. 1702/3. Apr. 1. Sept. 16. 30. Octob. 14. Nov. 11. Nov 25. Dec. 9. Dec. 16. | 1703/4. Jan. 20. | 1705. Oct. 4. |
Bishop-gate parish.	18. March. 1702/3.
Cranfield in Bedfordshire.	25 March. 1703. | 28 Sept. 1704. | 1705. Jun. 14.
Kilmersdon in Somersetsh.	6 May, 1703. 2 Sept. 16 Dec. | 1703/4. Febr. 3. | 1705 Sept. 6. | 1706. May. 9. | Oct. 3. | 24. |
Ware in Hertfordshire.	27. May. 1703. 10 June. 18 Nov. | 1703/4 March 23.
Shipton-Mallet in Somerset sh.	2 Sept. 1703: 28 Octob.
Warminster in Wiltshire.	2 Sept. 1703.
Clavering in Essex.	25 Nov. 1703.
Southam in Gloucestersh.	25. Nov. 1703.
Cambridge.	25. Nov. 1703. 6 Jan. 1703/4. | Apr. 6. | 1705 May 24. |
Preston in Lancashire.	25 Nov. 1703. | 1706 Apr. 18. |
N. Yarmouth	25. Nov. 1703. Jan. 27. 1703/4. | 1705. Aug. 16. |
Bermondsey	3 Febr. 1703/4. Febr. 17. | 1704/5. Jan. 18. |
Lincoln.	6. April. 1704. June 8 | 1706 May 17. | 1705. Jul. 5. | 1705. Oct. 25. |
Hull	1704 May 4.
Kiderminster	1704. Jun. 1. | 3 Aug. | 16 Nov. | 7 Dec. | 1705. Aug. 30. |
Reading	1704. Jun. 1.

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Plantations.

1698.	March	8 X	Dr Brays Scheme for the Plantations to be laid before the Society wth his Acct of Benefactions and Disbursements produced June 8. 99
1699.	August	17 X	Mr Nelson procured 30 Volums of Sandersons Sermons
	Sept.	# 7.	A Lettr from Sr Richd Bulkley promising a Rent Charge of 20li p Ann.
		25. X	Mr Hoot gave one share in the Mines
	Oct.	5 X	Mr Nelson procured 200l from ye Ld Weymouth.
		12. X	A Gift of 2000li to Charitable Uses in Barbadoes inquired after. vid. Octob. 19.
	Novemb.	9.	Allowed Dr Bray the Money he had advanced towards the Plantations.
		30.	20li advanced towards Libraries in the Lee-ward Islands.
1700.	April.	4.	500 of Dr Brays Sermons Printed & Dispersed.
	May	2.	500 more Printed.
	August	8. X	Dr. Bray's Letter concerning his Return, Order'd to be Printed & Dispersed.
	Septemb.	12.	Books to the Value of ~~Mr Evans~~ 12l. 11s. 00d given to Mr Evans.
		19.	Several Books given to Mr Andrews to be dispers'd in Virginia.
		X	Money paid for the Burial of a Missionary.
		12	Mr Toriano gave 5li to the Plantations.
	Octob.	7.	Dr Brays Memorial & Account of his Visitation Printed.
		10.	Mr Wynne of Carnarvan gave 5li.
	Novemb.	7.	Mr Bourscough promises to remit 10li.
		X	A Proposal from Mr Barclay for propagating Christian Knowledge in foreign parts.
	Decemb.	16.	Dr Osmund gave 5li.
	Decemb.	23.	Mr Fran. Bulkeley gave 5li.
			23li. 4s. 6d. given by some Devonshire Gentlemen.
	January	20.	six Guineas sent by Mr Drake of Exeter.
	March.	17.	400li p ann now subscribed to the Plantations, besides 50li extraordinary.
			Mr Nelson paid 10 Guineas from a Gentleman unknown
		24.	600li p ann, ~~now~~ subscribed to the Plantations.

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Quakers.

1698.

March 8. Mr Keith to be discoursed with, in Order to the Conversion of the Quakers.

10. A Certificate to Protect and Recommend Mr Keith in his Travels.

Mr Keith's Narrative & Catechism Resolved to be dispers'd.

1699. May. 18. Several Books delivered to Mr Keith to be dispers'd by him.

June 15. Mr Keith's Letter giving an Account of his Succeſs.

July ~~Sept~~ 13. Mr Keith Reported his Succeſs.

Sept. 7. Mr Keith made a farther Report & Delivered a Printed Account.

15. Mr Keith Reported the Oppositions he met with, and desired Advice.

Octob. 5. A Letter from Pensylvania concerning the Conversion of the Quakers.

Feb. 29. Catechisms delivered to Mr Keith to be dispers'd.

1700. April. 11. More Books delivered & 20 Guineas presented to him.

July — 25. 3000 Broad sheets Ordered to be ~~Printed~~ Dispersed.

Octob. 17. The Broad Sheets Pasted up.

Novemb. 14. Mr Keiths Journal Read, & the Thanks of the Society given him thereupon.

Febr. 12. 1701/2 ~~March 3. 1700~~ Dr Bray presents a Memorial against the Quakers.

12. The Society give Mr Bugg Credit with their Bookseller & Stationer for £26. 10s. to carry on the Printing of some of his Books.

They likewise take off 100 of his Pilgrims Progreſs at 2d a book

19. The 3 Women who Petition'd the House of Lords against the Quakers allow'd to fee two Councellors, &c.

March. 5. Mr Bugg brings in a Bill of some other Charges about them, which is allow'd them.

12. Mr Bugg's Narrative of the Sleeford Conference Order'd to be perus'd by Mr Keith.

April. 2. — Mr Keith Reports that it is accurate as to the Quotations.

Mr Bugg is contented that the taking of 100 Pilgrims Progreſses should be part of the £26. 10s. that the Society give's him Credit for.

30. Mr Hannay the Quaker Convert Order'd to be enquired after.

May — 14. Mr Bugg desires the Society to pay ye 16£ which they gave him Credit for.

Decemb. 17. Mr Bugg sends his Case to the Society.

1702/3 Jan. 7. Mr Treasurer indemnified as to his payment of ye 16£ 14. Jan.

Sept. 2. Mr Sandylands sets Mrs Everard's Case, & Subscription for them. Sept. 30. Octob. 7. 21 | Nov. 4 | Nov. 11 | Dec. 2[illegible]

1704. Decemb. 7. Mr Keith writes the History of Quakerism.

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Roman Catholicks.

Octob. 26. Resolv'd to Endeavor to get Informations of the Romish Priests.
Decemb. 21. Arch-Deacon Booth's Letter in relation to the Practices of the Romish Priests.
700. Sept. 12. The Address to the Roman-Catholicks, &c. sent into Lancashire to be Dispers'd.
19. A Letter & Memorial from Mr De Beringhen.
Octob. 10. Mr Taylor's Letter, presented with the Address to the Roman-Catholicks.
January. 19. 1701/2. A Dozen Addresses to those of the Romish Communion Order'd to be sent to A.D. Entwistle.
Febr. 2. The Presentment of the Grand Inquest at Durham against Papists, &c. read, order'd to be Abridged & inserted into the Publie Prints. vid. Febr. 12.
701. Octob. 28. 30 Vallons Conversions sent to A.D. Entwistle, & 30 to Mr Taylor of Wigan, to disperse amongst the Papists.
1704/5. Febr. 22. Popery complained of by Mr Peploe of Preston.

1699. Reformation of Abuſes. Improvemts. Endeavors.

Decemb. 21. Thanks given to Sr John Philipps for his Christian Example, in Refusing to accept a Challenge.

1700. April, 18. A Scheme for Reforming the Prisons, presented to the Lord Mayor & Sheriffs, by direction from the Bishop of London.

June 20. The Schoolmasters Prohibited to Recieve any Present or Gratuity from the Children, on pain of Forfeiting their Places.

July 11. The Religious Societies Adviſed to Aſsiſt the Societies for Reformation of Manners, by Informing against Immoralities.

The Religious Societies adviſed to apply themselves to the Parochial Ministers, to desire them to Preside at their Meetings.

1701. July 14. Thanks given to Mr Bulstrode, for Vindicating the Religious Society at St Catherines.

August. 5. The Lord Cornbury desir'd to promote the Designs of the Society in his Province.

12. a Society for Reformation, a Charity-School, & a Monthly or Quarterly Sermon, design'd to be set up in Shipton-Mallet in Somerset-shire.

19. Brigadier Selwyn desir'd to promote the Designs of this Society in Jamaica.

October 21. The AB of Canterbury promises to thank the Bp of Durham for his Zeal in promoting a Reformation of Manners in the City of Durham.

Novemb. 18. The AB of Canterbury promises to Issue out his Circular Letters to the Clergy in the Dioceſs of St Davids, to excite the Gentry to promote the Erection of Charity-Schools, the Catechising of Youth & Family-Devotion twice a day.

25. Mr Frank desir'd to draw up a new Account of the Society.

Decemb. 15. A Religious Society Erected in Worcestershire.

22 The Seamans & Soldiers Monitor being Translated into Dutch, they are Order'd to be Recomended to Monsr. de Beringhen for to be Printed & Dispers'd amongst the Dutch Soldiers & Seamen.

Januar. 5. Mr Benoits Memorial Read & Approv'd.

12. The Abuses of Prisons were taken into Consideration.

The Prison of Newgate Appointed to be Visited.

Mr Serjt Hooke Order'd to prepare an Addreſs to the Bench of Justices at Durham for A.D. Boothe.

19. The State of the Prison of Newgate Reported. ~~and upon~~

A Draught of a new Act for suppreſsing Vice & Immorality, refer'd to the Society for Reformation.

26. The Comiſsrs for Prisons Order'd to put down in writing ~~their~~ Thoughts ~~upon~~ that subject.

Febr. 2 A Proposal for the Education of Poor Children Read, & order'd to be laid before a Comittee of the House of Comons.

The Bp of Chester Thank'd for promoting the Designs of the Society in his Dioceſs, & desir'd to Print his Sermon & Visitation-Charge, or to permit the Society to do it.

~~The Presentment of the Grand Inquest~~

Dr Bray from the Comittee presents Proposals for the better Regulation of Prisons, which were Read, & Refer'd to such of the Society as are Members of Parliament.

19. A.D. Boothes Injunction to his Clergy Read & Order'd to be Consider'd.

March. 5. A Society of Clergy set up at Alcester in Worcestershire.

The Societies books & Papers do much good in Glocestershire.

April. 2. The Societies Books & Papers came safe, and are dispers'd in the Prisons of Leicester, Nottingham, Coventre & Warwick. — Apr. 9. at Exeter & Reading. — Apr. 16. at Winchester. Apr. 30. at York. — May 7 at Derby. — June 11th at Bedford. — June 25. at New-Sarum. — Evesham. 24 Aug. 1704.

16. A Society of Clergy at Warrington.

A Religious Society at Epworth in the Isle of Axholm.

ly 5. Mr Neale gives 100li towards ye Erection of a Working Charity-School in St Andrews Holborn.
Dec. 10. State of Religion in Merchants Ships, taken into Consideration. vid. 21. Jan. 1702/3. 4 Feb. (vid. Charge, &c.)
1702/3 ~~January~~ 21. Societies of the English, Dutch & French Clergy in New-York.
Febr. 4. Deficiency of ye Pastoral Letter enquired into. 11. Feb. | 18 March.
Letter to be sent to ye Correspondents, to know what books & papers are most wanted in their parts.
April. 8. Dr Maningham's proposal of comparing A.B. Tillotsons 2 Sermons upon Restitution with Monsr Placette's Book upon ye Subject. &c. Nov. 18. 1703. 2 Decemb. | 23. Nov. 1704. | 30 Nov. | 1705. 26. Apr. |
June, 24. The Society agree to assist at Evening-prayers in Mr Stubs's Church.
Dec. 2. Madam Guion's Book taken notice of by the Society, as also the Printer thereof. Dec. 9. Dec. 23. 6
9. The the impieties of the Playhouses consider'd & animadverted upon. 16 Dec. 28 Dec. 30 Dec. 6 Jan. 1703/4.
Jan. 20. 27.
23. A new Liturgy Compos'd at Neufchatel, & establish'd there.
1703/4. Jan. 27. A.D. Chetwood desire's that two Tracts may be written against Gaming.
Margrave of
March 30. The Soldiers Monitor recommended by Mr Hales to the K. of Prussia, ye Prince of Saxe-Gotha, & the Czar.
Mr Jaquelots Treatise to be perused. Apr. 6. 20. 27.
May 4. Mr Salmon of Mepsal's Method of buying & Reading books.
Aug. 17. 24. Mr Hales to be recomended, for Agent to her Matie among ye Grisons or Switzers, to take care of Religious Ma
& 14 Sept. when Mr Hales certifies the mighty reception of the Societies Papers among divers Foreign Princes
vid. 28. Decemb. 1704. | 1704/5. March. 1.
Octob. 26. Society of Clergy at Great-Baxton.
Nov. 9. Workhouse at Glocester Consider'd. vid. 16. Nov.
Mr Ostervald's Liturgy reced in ye Countrey about Neufchatel.
16. Mr Jenners Paper abt Workhouses, drawn up.
A Meeting of the Clergy, &c. at Kedderminster. vid. 7 Dec. |
23. Common-prayers Resolved to be Distributed.
Decemb. 7. A Meeting of the Clergy near Ilmsecomb.
21. Family-Prayer, Moved to the Society: &c. 28 Dec. | 1704/5. Jan. 11. | 25. | Febr. 8. | 1705. Apr. 26.
28. At Boston in New-England, the Societies designs promoted.
A Liturgy like the English sett up at Geneva.
1704/5. Jan. 11. A Society of Clergymen at Glocester. | 8 Mar. |
Febr. 1. Mr Gibson of Welbourne proposes the Ministers Monitor.
8. Translation of the Welch Bible enquired after, as to its goodness.
22. The Society Advises that a Benefaction of 5li in Bp. Beveridges Exposition of the Church-Cat. be dispo
ed in the Diocess of St Davids.
Mar. 15. The Society ~~[illegible]~~ is Observ'd to send too many books to their Correspondents.
2000. Dr Gibson's Family Prayers order'd to be Printed: the book being approv'd of Mar. 1. 1704/5.
1705. April. 19. Mr Franck of Hall certifies that Dr Williss Sermon preach'd to the poor Children, & Dr Woodwards Acct
Societies are translated into High-Dutch.
26. Furnishing Country-Poor with Bibles & Common-prayers at ye easiest Rates, moved to the Society.
As also the Binding up of other Prayers with the Common-prayer.
May 3. The Practise of Family-Prayer, & furnishing the Poor with Common-prayers recommended
the Correspondents.

Lending Libraries in England.

1701. July. 14. Mr Horton of Chaderton promise's to promote them.
701/2. Febr. 2. A Comittee appointed to Consider about Lending Libraries, to receive Dr Brays propo-
salls, &c. vid. Feb. 12.
1703/4. March. 18. Books given to ye Lending-Librarys at Reigate...
25. Library of Bedford. June, 10. 17. Dec. 16. 30.

Scotch Highland Libraries.

702/3. Febr. 4. Printed Proposal for their Erection, Read.
703. Nov. 11. The Secretary to recommend the Design to the Correspondents. Nov 18. 25.|1704 May. 18. 25.
704. June 15. The General Assembly in Scotland send the Society a Letter of Thanks; & the ~~[illegible]~~ Acts of the said
Gen-Assembly concerning the Highland Libraries are produced.
The Society resolve to recomend this design to the Resident Members.
A Parcel of books given by the Society to the Libraries.
22. Mr Wilson of Morley remitts 3.11.6d. & Mr Fletcher of Spondon promises some books.
vid. 29. & 6. July, 1706.
29 Mr Hoare receives 5li. 2s.
July 13. Mr Kirkwood desires some of the Societies Papers for the Scotch Libraries.
20. 4li worth given accordingly.
Aug. 31. Mr Foster of Deverel seem's to promise somewhat toward them.
Dec. 21. Mr Middleton of Cuckfield seem's to promise somewhat.
704/5. Jan. 18. The Scotch Libraries sent for thither.
705. Apr. 26. Mr Foster of Deverel sends up 40s.

Lending Libraries in Wales.

703. Nov. 18. A comittee appointed [illegible] consider of a Method of Erecting them.
704. Apr. 6. Sr H. Mackworth propose's them, & Mr Shubs to draw up Proposals. Apr. 27. May 11.
704/5. Febr. 1. The Motions Revived for Erecting such Libraries.
22. Mr Shubs's Proposals approved, & Order'd to the Press.
Mar. 22. No Trustees Name to be printed before he has given his Consent.
705. Apr. 5. 250 of Mr Shubs's Proposals to be wrought off & dispersed.

Mr Shute. ~~Mr Wright of Oakham. Rutlandshire~~.

~~Mr~~ Mr Shute — ~~Mr Bell of Croft near Darlington Yorkshire North Riding~~.

Mr Olyffe by ~~Letter~~.
{ ~~Mr Thomas Wagstaff of Cublington~~.
~~Mr Willmer of Elsborough~~.
~~Mr Rich. Mayo of Great Kimbel~~. } Buckinghamshire.

Mr Parks by Letter ~~Mr Stephens of Hampton~~-Lovet ~~in~~ near Droit-wych, Worcestershire.

~~a Letter~~ from Sheffield. Mr Drake Prebendary of York, & p[er]haps Vicar of Sheffield [He was b T]

Mr D'Effray by Letter
~~Mr Ant. Johnson Vic.~~ of Appledore.
~~Mr Abr. Walker Rect. of High Halden~~. } Kent
~~Mr Fishenden Vic. of Rolvenden~~ }

Mr Turner of Stamford by Letter.
{ ~~Mr Ric. Gamon Rect. of~~ Northwitham, Lincolnshire.
~~Mr Crook Rec. of Tinwell~~ in Rutland near Stamford.
~~Mr Tho. Foster Curate~~ of All Saints in Stamford.
~~John Digby Esq. of~~ Aylton in Huntingdonshire.

~~Coll. Colchester~~ ~~Mr Turner of Mansel's-hope in Herefordshire. To be left at the Post house in Ross~~
~~Mr Parks by Letter~~ ~~Mr~~
Sr J. Philipps — ~~Anthony Biddulph Esq at Ledbury in Herefordshire~~.

Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Howard by Letter. ~~Mr Lawrence of Yelvertoft near Daventry, Northamptonshire~~.

Dr Stair: — ~~Mr Wood of Green Norton~~, near Towcester ~~in Northamptonshire~~.

The L. Bp. of Chichester. ~~Mr Bowcroft of Chichester Treasurer of the Church of Chichester~~.

Sr J. Philipps. ~~Mr Lloyd, of Ros-Crowther, in Pembrokeshire. Packet~~ to be directed to Mr Philipps of Carm

Mr Wyndham. ~~Mr Lewis at Sr Edw Mansell's of Margam, in Glamorganshire. (remember y note in y book)~~

Mr Cook of Whitenham by letter to Coll. Colchester. ~~Mr Anthony Addison of Abingdon in Berkshire~~.

Mr Shute — ~~Mr Riddall at Beddington near Carralton, Surrey. p penny post~~.

Mr Shute from a ~~Letter of Mr Turner. Mr Wm. Frost of Stamford in Lincolnshire~~.

Mr Vaughan of Derllys by ~~Letter~~
{ ~~Sr Edw Mansell Bart. of Margam in Glamorganshire. Southwales~~
~~Sr Tho. Powell Bart at Colebrooke~~ }
~~John Morgan Esq. at Tredegar~~ } ~~Monmouthshire~~.
~~Charles Price Esq. of Llanfoist~~ — — }
~~Rt Honble Ld Lisburne at Trescoed~~, }
~~Tho. Jones Esq. of Llanvair~~, } Cardiganshire ~~Southwales~~.
~~Lewis Price, Esq. of Goyerthan~~ }
~~Griffith Lloyd Esq. of Longwilly~~ } Carmarthenshire.
~~Thomas Lloyd of Bangrall Esq.~~ }

Bp of Chichester. ~~Mr Williams of Denbigh. North Wales p Chester Post~~.
~~Mr Wyndham at Clowerwall near Monmouth~~.
~~Mr Hooker of Sandy in Bedfordshire, p Biggleswade bag~~
~~Mr~~ Abel Ram Esq. at York-street in Dublin.

Mr Shute — ~~Mr Jo. Hughes of Kilmersdon~~ in Somersetshire near Froom,
~~Mr Frank by Letter~~, ~~Mr Bragg of Hitchin, Hertfordshire~~.
Mr Shute ~~John Mogg Esq. at Farrington near Wells Somersetshire~~
A. D. Chetwood. ~~Dr Killingbeck of Leeds in y West~~ Riding of Yorkshire.
Mr Shute { ~~Mr Edward Clarke of St Mary's in Nottingham~~.
{ Mr Guy near Newark in Nottinghamshire.

~~Foster of Bristol by Letter Captain John Pain in Salisbury~~.
Killingbeck by ~~Letter, Mr Henry Robinson of Leeds~~.
Mr Shute — Cyprian & Paul Appia natives of the Vallies in Piedmont.
Mr Shute ~~Mr Hudson of Great Bolton near Warrington in Lancashire~~.
Mr Howe Morley Trevor Esq. near Lewes in Sussex (speak to y Bp. of Chich. about him

23. September. 1701.

Dr Kennett, Mr Hodges, Mr Bromfield & ye Secretaries Assistant being present, Mr Ibbott was pleas'd to declare, that he was extremely willing that a Mine share which he had given to the Society, under the Name of Mr Hodges: should bee employed in advancing the Designs of the Society, as they should think ~~[illegible]~~ fit.

~~Dr Bray to prepare Mr Kirkwood for the Correspondence.~~

~~Mr Lloyd — Mr Hollowai of Hertford~~. declin'd

~~Mr Lloyd — Mr Tollet Vicar of Eccleshal Staffordshire (near Stone.)~~

Mr More of Camb. } ~~Mr Hill~~ minister at ~~of Lincol~~.

} ~~Mr Wells~~ late ~~of Horncastle~~.

~~Mr Stubs — Mr Davenport of Buckland in Berkshire~~ declin'd

~~Mr Stubs — Dr Ashton of Beckenham in Kent.~~ seem'd to decline.

~~Mr Shirmy will enquire about Mr Kirby of Kingston upon Thames.~~ drop'd.

~~Mr [illegible]~~ Sr John Philipps — Mr Hoadley Lecturer of the Poultrey.

~~Mr Shute — Dr King of Northia[illegible]~~ declin'd

~~Ld. Bp of Chichester — Mr Anth. Springate of Lewes~~

~~Mr~~ Dr Hare, — Mr Grant, Minister of St. Dunstan's,

~~Mr Brewster — Mr Mills of Christ church Oxford.~~

~~Mr Shute — Mr Biddle Surrey.~~

~~Coll. Colchester — Mr Cook of Whittenham near Dorchester in Berkshire.~~

L. ~~Mr Laughorne of Haverford West Pembrokeshire an old Correspondent.~~

~~Mr Hoare — Mr John Olliffe of Dunton near Aylesbury. Bucks.~~

~~Mr Edwards — Mr Stephens of Welbourne, Lincolnshire.~~

Mr Graves of Lewes } by Letter to Mr Shute — ~~Mr Middleton of Cuckfield~~
~~Mr Dodson of Hurst~~
~~Mr Reynolds of Horsham~~
L. ~~Mr Lightmaker of Horsted~~
L. ~~The Noble Esqr of Bramfield~~
} ~~Suffolk~~ Sussex

Mr Shute — ~~Mr [illegible] of [illegible] in Oxfordshire.~~

Mr Nich. Pelham to Mr Graves. ~~Mr Beardsley of Blunscomb near Battle, in Sussex.~~

Mr Shute — Mr ~~[illegible]~~ Sayer of ~~Witnesham near~~ Ipswich in Suffolk.

~~Mr Wheler~~ — x ~~Mr John Sowry Rectr of Essington near Stamford~~

x ~~Mr Henry Tympson Rectr of Market Overton, Rutland.~~

~~Mr Wright of Chichester.~~

~~Mr Alexander Innes proposed ye 1st Time by Mr Nevill~~

x ~~Mr Allen — Loughborough~~ Leicestershire.

Dr Hare — ~~Mr Wheeler of Gloucester.~~

Mr Shute { ~~Mr Parker of [illegible]bury, Worcestershire [illegible]~~
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[illegible] at Mr Nichols in Addls street in Woodstreet near St Alban's Church.

[illegible] 25 Nov. 27 Jan. 1703/4.

Lt Mr Hales's letter which is lent to Dr Bray. 16 Apr. 1702

~~[illegible] Mr Chamb[illegible] to meet with me on Tuesday at 9 a clock.~~

10 July. 1702

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~~[illegible] Dr [illegible] n. 412~~

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[illegible] the Lyn Road at Cambridge / Kings Lyn in Norfolk

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r Shute	~~Mr Bromfield of Wootton under Edge Gloucestershire.~~	
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r Shute. from Mr Bridges	~~Mr Bates of Newcastle upon Tine.~~	
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~~Manningham~~	~~Mr Pocock of Colmer near [illegible] Alton in Hampshire.~~	
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r Jenner	~~Mr Henley of Melton Mowbray in Leicestershire.~~	
r Fenwick by Lre.	~~Mr Bewick of Barrow in Leicestershire.~~	
r. Edwards . . .	~~Mr. Matthias Haines of [illegible] Nowcall in Warwickshire~~	
r Shute	~~Mr Henry Cooper of Lilton near Welles in Somersetshire.~~ Leave it with Mr Cooper Apothecary in	
r ~~Walk~~ Fox	~~Mr Wall of Shoreham near Sevenoke in Kent.~~	
r John Philipps.	~~Mr Tho. Philipps of Jesus College in Oxford.~~	
r Nelson	~~Mr Reeves of Cranford near Hounslow Middlesex~~	
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20 July 1702

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Send Mr Littel a Packet next week at ye Green Dragon or the Bull in Bishopsgate street to be put into the Lyn Boat at Cambridge / Kings Lyn in Norfolk.

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~~[illegible] of Correspondent Members~~ Recommended to the Society.

Shute	~~Mr Woodford of Epsom in Surrey.~~
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Hoare	~~Mr Haisham at [illegible] in [illegible]~~

Mr Shute	: Mr Cranston of Hastings in Sussex.
Mr Shute.	~~Mr George Strangways of Maiden-Newton near Dorchester.~~
Mr Melmoth	~~Mr Haines Rector of Catstock in Dorsetshire: at Mr Bennets~~ Attorney in Merrifield: to be left at the Post-house in ~~[illegible]~~ Dorchester. ask him about the Gent. he mentioned to Mr Melmoth.
Mr Wyndham by Lre.	~~Mr Morse of Newent in Gloucestershire.~~
Dr Bray.	~~Mr Shaw Schoolmaster of [illegible] in Warwickshire, by Coventry bag~~
Mr Brewster,	Mr John Hutton, at ~~[illegible]~~ the Crown Inne in ~~[illegible]~~ Nayland in Suffolk by Boxford bag.
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~~Mr Lloyd — Sr John [illegible] 1.2. Mr Chamberlayne [illegible]~~

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Sr Rich. Bulkley ~~Mr Bonny~~ 1.2. ~~brother in law to Sr [illegible]~~
~~& Sr Edward Turner~~ to ~~enquire~~ / a Correspondent

Mr Serjt. Hook — Mr Wright 1. } Mr Brewster & Serjt Hooke to enquire.
at Mr Brewster's May. 22. | 2. }

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Mr Bromfield. ~~Coll Bowyer. 1.2. Dr Manningham & Dr Bray to enq~~

Dr Manningham. ~~Dr Trimnell 1.2. Mr Chamberlayne & Mr Shute to~~

~~Dr Manningham. Dr Verney. 1.2. Mr A.D. Trymmer & Dr Bray~~

~~Mr Hodges — Dr Barton. 1.2. Mr Trymmer & Mr Shute.~~

Mr Hodges ~~Mr Jacob Cambridge. 1.2. Mr Sorrane & Mr [illegible] to enquire~~

~~Mr Vernon~~ ~~Sr Wm Boslon 1.2. Dr Bray & Mr Chamberlayne to enq~~

Mr Trymer — ~~The Revd Mr Hodges 1.2. Dr [illegible] & Mr Hodges to enquire~~

Mr Shute ~~The Revd Mr Stubbes 1.2. Dr Bray & Revd Mr Hodges~~

Dr Manningham. ~~Mr Edw Waddington. 1.2. Dr Bray & Mr Shute to enquire~~

Mr Bulstrode. ~~Anthony Collins Esqr. 1.2. Dr Manningham & Dr Bray t~~

Sr John Philipps. ~~Mr Windham. 1.2. Mr Stubbs & Mr Conyers to enquire.~~

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Mr Stubbs — ~~Mr Morer 1.2. Mr Shute, Mr Hodges to enquire.~~

Mr Shute. — ~~Mr Andrews 1.2. Mr Hodges & Mr [illegible] to enquire~~

~~Mr Chamberlayne Mr Vigerous Edwards 1.2. Mr Bromfield & Dr Bray to enquire~~

~~Mr Melmoth~~ { ~~Mr Meller. 1.2.~~ } ~~Mr Brewster & Mr [illegible] to enquire~~
{ ~~Mr Th. Jenner. 1.2.~~ }

Mr Melmoth. ~~Mr Tho. [illegible]th jun. 1.2. Mr Nelson & Mr [illegible] to enquire~~

Mr Meller — ~~Mr Palmer of Chelsea 1.2. [illegible]~~

Mr Melmoth ~~Mr Henry Langham 1.2. Mr Hoare & Mr [illegible]~~

~~Mr Edwards — Mr Stephens of [illegible]~~

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Mr Melmoth ~~Mr Ernsley 1.2. Mr Jenner & Mr [illegible] to enquire~~

~~Mr [illegible]. Mr Hoare 1.2. Mr Bulstrode & Dr [illegible] to enquire~~ Mr Ho[illegible]

Mr Melmoth. ~~Mr Richardson 1.2. Dr [illegible] & Mr Shute to enquire~~

Mr Melmoth. ~~Mr Edw Rolt 1.2. Mr Shute & Mr Bromfield to enquire~~

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